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COMMUNITY SERVICE Fall, 2016

In the January, 2017 Newsletter, we recognize several AREA chapter members who volunteer their time and devote other resources, such as personal knowledge and expertise, to help improve the economic, civic and social health of the communities where they live and work.

Recipients were provided with a Certificate of Appreciation and a recognition letter signed by the program director and president, AREA.

COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS

RON CLEMENT, PRESIDENT
COLUMBIA RIVER CHAPTER
VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON STATE

Ron makes arrangements for all meetings i.e. lunches, updates, etc., send out updates from the National AREA and keeps us up-to-date with all AAFES happenings. He has an extremely positive attitude despite health issues and is solely responsible for keeping all the members in our chapter together.

BILL EDDINGS, MEMBER
NORTH TEXAS CHAPTER
DALLAS/FORT WORTH, TEXAS

Bill is responsible for his "Neighborhood Night Out" program. He organizes the program and gets groups to come in and speak, including the police, etc., to address safety issues. He also gets tables set up for volunteer organizations, such as Meals on Wheels, to recruit volunteers.

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Charles Eagen, AAFES Employee, APO 09123

Charles teaches Karate to young children 8 to 18 years old, and up, twice-a-week in the town of Badem where he resides. He does this without receiving anything for it. His efforts keep children off the streets and occupied in a productive manner after school.

Pamela Miller, AAFES Employee, Scott AFB

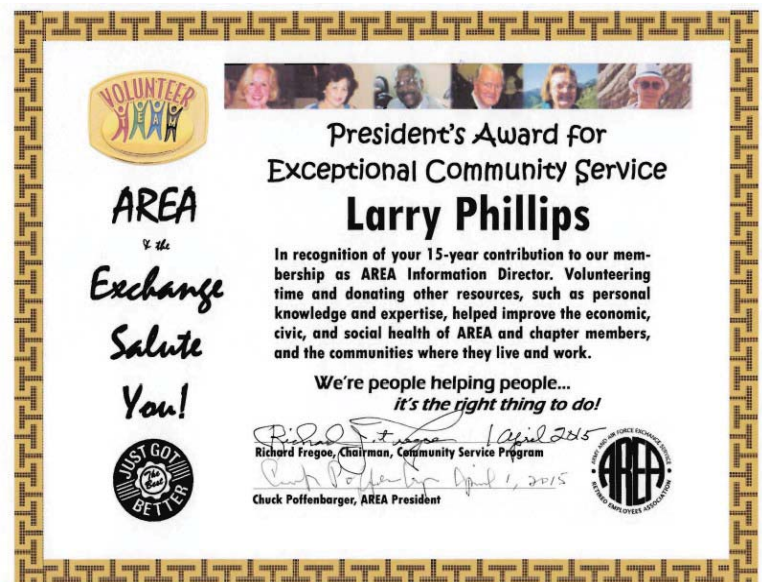
Pam has volunteered for the Boy Scouts of America for over 10 years. She does fun raising, camping trips, and helps the young receive their badges.

Cynthia Sparkman, AAFES Employee, Scott AFB

Cindi and her mother Julie have sent packages to deployed servicemen every month for over two years. They do this to support our troops overseas.

Larry Phillips, AREA Information Director, Dallas

Larry has been awarded AREA's President's Award for Exceptional Community Service (shown at right) "for his 15-year contribution to our membership as AREA Information Director. Volunteering time and donating other resources, such as personal knowledge and expertise, helped improve the economic, civic, and social health of AREA and chapter members, and the communities where they live and work." He will "retire" a second time on June 1st, having retired first after an extensive and successful 31-year career at AAFES. One of Larry's major responsibilities has been editor of this Newsletter, an important service that AREA offers its members. This is Larry's last Newsletter. He will be sorely missed for his development and editing skills and dedication to the interests of retirees of AREA.





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Curtis McGilbra, Exchange Associate, HQ, Exchange, Dallas, Texas

***Curtis' contribution to the North Texas Food Bank is a testament to his passion and love for his community. Since 2007, Curtis and his son have volunteered their time to the Dash Down Greenville. This is one of the largest fundraisers for the North Texas Food Bank. In addition, Curtis volunteers at the Taste of the NFL, which raises several hundred thousand dollars for the North Texas Food Bank. The exchange should be proud to have an associate like him.**

Margaret Nwandu, Sales Associate, Urlas Main Exchange, Ansbach, Germany

***Margaret is the Softlines department supervisor at the Urlas Main Exchange in Ansbach, and provides better customer service than can be found anywhere.**

She does so much for our local PX. She shows so much love to each and every customer, and has quelled quite a few storms (meaning they came to her mean and left smiling). It's impressive how nice she is every single time. She greets everyone with a smile. Outstanding!

Maria Maras, Sales Associate, FT Campbell Exchange

***Maria has been the president of the Christian County Humane Society for 8 years. This is strictly a voluntary position. She devotes her free time to helping injured and neglected animals find loving homes.**

Harold J. Fredrich, Motor Vehicle Operator, Waco Terminal, Waco Distribution Center

***As an active volunteer and dedicated member of the Patriot Guard Riders of Central Texas, Harold is a good steward to his community and honorable citizen. Harold aka "Jay" has ridden and participated in 148 memorial services honoring our Fallen Soldiers, First Responders, and Veterans during his eight year tenure with the association. Mr.**

Jay attended and rode in the Chris Kyle funeral procession in February 2013 that started in Midlothian and ended at Texas State Cemetery in Austin, Texas. He and his fellow riders supported the community impacted by the West Texas explosion that happened in April 2013 by handing out food and water to the survivors of this catastrophic event. In addition, Jay also has portrayed Santa Claus for the past two years during the holidays at church functions and nursing homes within Central Texas. His joyful and optimistic demeanor impacts everyone within his community as well as the Exchange

Barbara Cadman, mother of Sharri Cadman, Exchange Associate, HQ, Exchange, Dallas, Texas

*Barbara volunteers in numerous ways around the community. She volunteers each week at the Dallas food bank and she delivers food to those in need via meal on wheels. She quilts blankets for ill, traumatized or in need children and donates them to the Linus Project. She crochets baby caps for local children's hospitals. She fosters dogs for owners in the hospital or unable to care for their pet for a limited time and donates blood on a regular basis.

Through her church she fills and distributes backpacks full of school supplies to children in need, organizes and delivers food for complete Thanksgiving meals, "Adopts" a family every Christmas and provides gifts and food for the entire family and fills shoeboxes with personal care items for the United Way shoebox project.

For fun she volunteers as an usher at the Winspear Opera House and AT&T performing arts center

Matthew Leach, Exchange Associate, Exchange Associate, FT Stewart, Georgia

*Matthew is a member of the American Red Cross and on his off times strives to help other people in times of need and any disaster. Matthew leach gives community presentations to help other communities be able to cope with upcoming disasters and so the community can be ready when the time comes. Matthew leach is also a volunteer firefighter and is willing to give back to his community.

Tyrone Basnight, Exchange Associate, Ramstein Community

*Tyrone always gives his time to the Ramstein Community. He is a very good singer and sings for events in the community all the time for free, as well as in his church. Even with a severely damaged lower back, every time he is asked he gives his time for free. He is also a very good photographer and volunteers for free to take pictures for the USO. As well as other community events.

While he is at his duty the vast majority of people passing stop and say hello to him, he is very well known and liked in his community.

Laura Allison, Shift Manager, Lackland MCS S, Texas

*Laura has an extensive list of organizations she works with and supports.

COMMUNITY SERVICES / LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

• Founder, Organization of Filipinos in Texas, 2011.

• Selected/Voted as Queen of Filipino Women in America. Crowned 2007, 2008, 2009.

Non-profit organization conducts fundraising activities to provide scholarships to students from all nationalities. Assist individuals with a broad range of requirements due to broad community and business networks, as well as resources.

• Member, Philippine Choral Group. Non-profit organization providing funds to individuals studying music.

• Member, Braun Station Ladies Organization. A non-profit providing scholarships for college students.

• Block Captain, Braun Station, San Antonio, Texas. Serve as an information conduit / liaison between Braun Station residents and The Braun Station Home Owners' Association.

• Member, Alamo Asian American Chamber of Commerce, San Antonio, Texas

• Public Relations Representative, Philippines Charity Society. Nationwide Organization established in 1984. Primary Contributor on behalf of the organization's celebration held in San Antonio, Texas. 05/ 2014

• Philippines Representative, Asian Community Forum, 2014. Current mission is to re-categorize "other" listed on applications to describe ethnic orientation, to include "Asian" as a separate ethnic category

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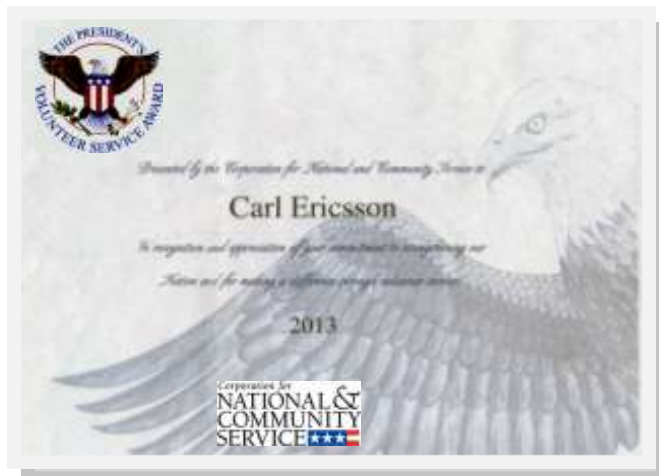
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Carl Ericsson, AAFES Retiree, Pearland, Texas

Carl has been presented the President's Volunteer Service Award. He received a letter (right) from President Barack Obama for his many years of service to the Pearland Police Department, specifically for handicap parking service and numerous other activities. He was one of only three so honored. The Volunteer Service Award was also accompanied by a certificate (below) from the Corporation for National and Community Service recognizing his "commitment to strengthening our nation and for making a difference through volunteer service."



Nicole Martin, Exchange Associate, Vandenberg AFB, California

Nicole is an avid volunteer throughout the year. As a mother of two and an Exchange employee she finds time to coach soccer and basketball for the base Youth Center, and continues to be a Girl Scout Leader for a local Brownie Troop. There she leads, coordinates meetings and special community events, and volunteer work the Girl Scouts are involved in. She loves helping in her daughter's classroom once a week and is the Vice President of the Cabrillo High School Marching Band Booster Club where her son attends. Nicole and her family spent this Christmas time preparing, coordinating, and handing out over 200 meals for all base personnel working during Christmas Eve. Also within this last year Nicole and her husband introduced and helped implement a program called Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) at the elementary school on base. The national program is meant to provide a male presence at schools and give them an extra hand in security. They got this program up and running in October of 2013 and continue to lead the program as they did at their last base.

Kimiko Smith, Camp Foster MCS, Okinawa, Japan

Kimiko organized an opportunity for Camp Lester Middle School students to volunteer their time to draw posters/signs for the Marines in celebration of the Marine Corps Birthday while Marines are away from home. She also volunteered to go to Camp Lester Middle School to reach out to the children and talk about the importance of volunteering all throughout their lives and that one person can make a difference. Kimiko is a team player in all aspect of the word; regularly stopping to help any other facility that can benefit from her experience and expertise while maintaining the highest of standards in her own facility, yet still finding time to engage the community and our future generations with projects such as this.

William A. Stewart, Exchange Associates' son (William (Eric) and Amy Stewart), HQ, Exchange, Dallas, Texas

During the 2013 Fall Semester, Will Stewart generously shared his time and talents with the communities surrounding him. As a senior team member of the award winning Future Farmers of America (FFA) at Midlothian High School, Will dedicated weeks of training before and after school to prepare the junior Chapter Conducting team for competition. The junior Chapter Conducting team scored high enough at District and Area meets to compete at State, the largest in FFA. (The junior team exceeded expectations by placing 2nd, 1st and 5th respectively.)

Will performed hours of service projects above and beyond that required of Life rank in Boy Scouts. Whenever fellow Scouts needed assistance on merit badges, ceremonies or projects, he worked side by side until completion. As a Scout volunteer and perennial favorite for the annual First United Methodist Church (Midlothian) fall fundraiser, he worked from set up to break down as a an independent working jack-of-all-trades. Additionally, Will supported other Scouting organizations, like Explorers and Girls Scouts, with their fundraising events giving his tasty cooking and driving time.

Reaching past his school and city, Will also volunteered his service at his church, St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Waxahachie. He performed altar duties as regularly scheduled and could be counted on to substitute on a moment's notice to cover an unexpected schedule conflict. Will routinely supplied the much needed boost to special event teams such as Vacation Bible School, Elementary Sunday School and other seasonal activities.

As a high school sophomore, Will is dedicated to making his community a better place to live.

David Sinkewicz, Exchange Associate, Hq, Exchange, Dallas, Texas

David is being nominated for mentoring Charles Jones, a 16 year old young man of a single parent. Charles has won placement in the Obama Male Leadership Academy, located in the Oak Cliff area of Dallas. David has been assisting Charles' mother by attending parent/teacher conferences and meeting with Charles to encourage him to use his God given talents. For example at the Academy the failure level is set at 70%. Charles has been struggling with algebra. David graduated with a bachelor's degree in mathematics and has been able to better prepare him for tests which make Charles very nervous. Charles has a lot to be proud of and his mother does not want to see him get sidetracked. His mother is a church friend of David's wife. Charles has the prospect of an excellent future and his mother and David are dedicated to his long term success. I truly admire David for taking the time to mentor and encourage this young man.

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Samica James, Exchange Associate, Hq Exchange, Dallas, Texas

Samica James is the founder of A Single Hand Foundation, a local community outreach program within the metroplex which lends a helping hand to single parent and also gives back to senior citizens. The foundation's most recent engagement involved the ASHF Blessings Bag Drive which called on people within the community to assemble a quart sized ziplock bag filled with hygiene items and drop off at pick up points around the area. The total amount collected was 123 bags and \$125 donation (which made 52 bags). These items were all donated to the Genesis Women Shelter.

Ismael (Rod) Rodriquez, Exchange Associate, HQ, Exchange, Dallas, Texas

Rod spends his vacation time to riding his motorcycle with the Patriot Guard Riders. The Patriot Guard Riders is a 100% Volunteer, Federally registered non-profit organization which ensures dignity and respect at memorial services honoring Fallen Military Heroes, First Responders and Honorably Discharged Veterans.

The Patriot Guard Riders is a diverse amalgamation of riders from across the nation. Their main mission is to attend the funeral services of fallen American heroes as invited guest of the family. Each mission they undertake has two basic objectives.

1. Show their sincere respect for our fallen heroes, their families and their communities.
 2. Shield the mourning family and their friends from interruptions created by any protestor or group of protestors.
- He also rides in as many toys runs every year as the weather permits. He is a silent hero.

AREA ...JUST FOR YOU***MORE******AREA Community Service Awards******COMING IN******OCTOBER 2014***

If you know someone (perhaps yourself) who should be recognized for a volunteer activity or community service all you have to do is submit the information to the Richard Fregoe, chairman of the Community Service Committee, at:

AAFES Retired Employees Association
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Duncanville, TX 75138-0614



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➤ **Robert Webber, Exchange Associate, Newport News, Virginia.**

Robert volunteers with the local Boy Scouts and is also a member of the Civil Air Patrol. For the past 10 years he has assisted Troop 6 and Troop 13 of the Boy Scouts. He has helped them with their camping weekends and assisted them in building a large crossover bridge at Endview Plantation. He also helped a scout complete his Eagle project this past year.

For the past three years, Robert has also been a member of the Civil Air Patrol. He has assisted cadets with parking cars at local events such as the Williamsburg Air Show. He sold Christmas wreaths for our fallen soldiers and also placed these wreaths on gravesites at the Yorktown National Cemetery. He coordinated and arranged for the Civil Air Patrol Squadron Color Guard to present the colors at the 2012 Driver of the Year ceremony held at Dan Daniel Distribution Center. He is also trained to assist with emergency situations such as floods, hurricanes, airplane crashes and missing people.

➤ **Zacquery Reveche Hinson, Dependent, Store Manager, Lackland AFB, Texas**

Zacquery is recognized for his willingness to take every opportunity to personally help others within our community regardless of his school load. In 2012, he worked as a luncheon volunteer every Tuesday at the San Antonio First Church of the Nazarene food bank packaging, serving, loading trucks and storage. He also conducted the weekly inventory.

He volunteered for four years (2009 – 2012) at the Feast of Sharing, the culmination of the year-round commitment H-E-B makes to fighting hunger. It's an annual H-E-B Feast of Sharing holiday dinner in 21 communities and provides holiday meals and good cheer to 250,000 residents in Texas. The event is held at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center, San Antonio TX

Zacquery also volunteered with Habitat for Humanity of San Antonio in 2012 and 2013. Habitat for Humanity works with low-income families who would not otherwise be able to afford a

house. To date, 795 homes have been built in partnership with families in need. By the end of 2013, 852 Habitat homes are expected in San Antonio.

➤ **Brenda S. Strickland, Exchange Associate, Tinker AFB, Oklahoma**

Brenda is involved in several community service activities. Every year, she volunteers with the Shrine Circus for four days. She lost her husband to cancer a few years ago and serves as the Treasurer for the annual Band Together Cancer Walk sponsored by Bandana Reds (a local eatery, where she also works). The proceeds from this walk go to Ally's House for children with cancer and to St Anthony's Cancer Institute for patients receiving chemo treatments to help defray the cost. She is also a member of "Ladies of Harley". This group prepares annual Christmas baskets for nursing home patients to be distributed during the holidays. In addition, she is a member of her Cornerstone Church's various outreach programs. They clean and repair homes and also deliver groceries, school supplies and offer aid during the holiday season to shut-ins. And if that is not enough, she is also Treasurer of the Tinker Exchange Employees Association!

➤ **Thomas Steiner, Store Manager JTS Shoppette, Ft. Drum, New York**

Since 2004 Tom has been actively involved in Carthage Little League (CLL). He was the acting Safety Officer, which included the training of coaches and parents on player safety, submitting the Leagues Safety manual for approval by Little League International, field and complex surveys, rain out determinations etc. Currently he is the Umpire in Chief. He manages major league division and coaches the minor league division in baseball. Since the last two years he schedules the umpires for the baseball games.

➤ **David L Smith, Associate, Luke AFB Exchange, Arizona**

Dave has been raising awareness for Cystic Fibrosis for so long that his efforts, to him, are now second nature. However, if you listen to his story, these efforts are far from second nature for the rest of us. Receiving strength and motivation from his daughter, a current cystic fibrosis patient, he has spent much of his free time volunteering annually for different events around the nation. So far, in 2013 alone, he raised over \$10,000 towards fighting the disease! This success has come from participating in awareness events. These events have included Tempe Park Great Strides, Casa Grande Cycling for Life and Las Cruces Walk for a Cure (getting donations based on his mileage). In addition to the events, he has spent time campaigning with Congress and the Health and Human Services, lobbying for federal aid for drugs and research. He also works for ongoing donations to assist with patients' quality of life. This includes, but not limited to, food drives, getting construction companies to assist with improving housing and getting air purification systems donated for lower income patients who can't afford these needed items.

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➤ **Jame Robert Howard, Exchange Retiree, Duncanville, Texas**

Jim has volunteered an average of 16 hours a week at the Duncanville Outreach for at least seven years and 4 years at the AARP Tax Office in the Duncanville Library.

➤ **Richard Sheff, Exchange Retiree, North Texas Chapter, Texas**

Richard has contributed his time and effort to such projects as the Flower Mound Library Board, The Veteran's Canteen Service (he worked for them approximately one year "Pro Bono") and the North Texas Chapter of AREA.

➤ **Katherine Getgasorn, Ft Richardson Burger King Manager, Alaska**

Kathy has always shown community involvement at every base she has worked in Alaska. She began community involvement/partnership with the neighboring schools on base when she arrived in 2005. When working at the Elmendorf Burger King, she partnered with the elementary schools on that side of our Joint Military Base, and when transferring to the Ft. Richardson Burger King in 2009, she began a partnership with the elementary schools on this side. The elementary school children are always so happy to come into the Ft. Richardson Burger King and see their artwork posted.

➤ **Steven Murankus, Exchange Associate, Grafenwoehr Exchange, Germany**

Steven retired in 2006 from the Army after 21 years of service. He has been volunteering at the Grafenwoehr USO for the past 6 years. While at the USO he cooks dinner for soldiers every Thursday night and participates as a volunteer in such USO events such as Back to School, Halloween, Christmas and Super Bowl parties for the soldiers and their families. During this time he has spent an estimated 315 hours serving his community.

In 2004 Steve joined the local VFW Post 10692, and has served as Adjutant for the organization for the past two years. During this period he supported the Grafenwoehr community by assisting with care packages sent to deployed soldiers. He also represented the VFW at memorial services for soldiers killed in action. He assisted in welcome home events for soldiers returning from

down range. Steve's VFW post also supports a local orphanage by collecting and donating clothing. He overseas funds that are donated annually to the orphanage while assisting in BBQ's and parties at Christmas.

In the past 6 years Steve has demonstrated a great capacity in sharing his personal time, knowledge and expertise by volunteering with two organizations that truly give back to the Grafenwoehr community both military and civilian.

➤ **Janet Cerny, Exchange Associate, ICA, Tinker AFB, Oklahoma**

Janet has been a member of the Epsilon Theta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority since 2000. It is a Social and Cultural non-academic sorority in every state of US, Canada and 30 foreign countries. Every month the Chapter volunteers at the YMCA Welcome Center at the Will Roger's World Airport to welcome the military men and women and their families and thank them for their service to our country. Throughout the year they donate to the YWCA Women's Shelter, Youth Services of OKC, Infant Crisis Center, Ally's House, Senior Care and local schools. They also participate in the annual Relay of Life to raise money for Cancer Research. Her husband, Joe Cerny, is a breast cancer survivor and many of her family members are affected by this terrible disease, so for several years they have walked in the local "Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure." She and her husband also volunteer at the Food Bank of Oklahoma and donate food for the homeless.

➤ **Karen Ringrose, Exchange Associate at Kleber MCSS, Germany**

Karen is an active member of the Rheinland Quilters Guild. The Guild spends many hours making and collecting quilts for the wounded warriors at Landstuhl Hospital. She is extremely active in the guild and spends much time and effort making sure our guys and gals are taken care of not just at the hospital, but also here at our store.

➤ **Chief Anthony (Tony) Pearson (USAF), HQ, Exchange, Dallas, Texas**

Chief Pearson is an avid volunteer for several functions. I have known him to volunteer for Snowball Express, Habitat for Humanity and North Texas Food Bank along with countless other projects in just this past year. Chief Pearson has motivated so many individuals to volunteer their personal time to commit to helping the community and has truly given me more incentive to get involved. I have even included my family. I asked him one day, don't you ever get tired, and his response was, "No, I like to do good things for people". He spends a lot of his personal time helping others and I just wanted to share this story with you. I truly believe Chief Pearson deserves a huge pat on the back for his outstanding service. Writer: Karen Seigh (GC-G&C)

➤ **Julia Carr, Sr Store Associate, Main Store, Vanbenberg AFB, California**

Julia volunteers in Santa Barbara and Lompoc, CA. where she helps gather information and distribute supplies to the homeless.

➤ **Deborah Sanders, ICA Associate, Shaw AFB Main Store, South Carolina**

Debbie felt and saw the need in the community to stand and walk with others. She became a warrior in the battle so many unfortunately have to fight – the cancer battle. Through her organizational skills and ability to lead, Debbie encouraged a small group at first to join Relay for Life in Sumter S.C. Her desire was that we all would have fun as we worked to fund the fight for a cure and to somehow aid those who are in the struggle of a lifetime. First year --the group won title "Most Team Spirit"—third year--- a group picture accompanied the reported news story in the local newspaper. Thanks to her hard work and efforts the group continues to grow with participation and funds donated in the fight against cancer.

➤ **Lindsay Brown, Exchange Associate at Popeye's Chicken, Ft. Campbell, Kentucky**

Lindsay is being nominated for her devotion to spend several hours volunteering at local Girl Scout Camps last summer. She routinely donates blood to the Red Cross. Since the sixth grade, Lindsay has donated gifts to the Angel Tree program. She volunteers at several events for her local church's youth program. She has also volunteered countless hours through her school's National Honor Society. She serves as President of her Associated Student Government program through which she has given hours to the community and community business leaders. She is also the co-leader for her school's Student Ambassador Program in which she helps new students get familiar with her school and surroundings. She has contributed over 126 hours to her community.

➤ **Angelina Cobos, Exchange Associate Supervisor at Bliss Van Horne Express, Texas**

Angelina is actively involved in the community school system and participates in numerous activities over the past years and currently where she has been recognized for her good deeds receiving a total of 33 awards. She is always willing to lend a helping hand and enjoys working with people.

➤ **Sandra Farmer, Exchange Associate, Fort Bragg, North Carolina**

Sandra has put her time and effort into cancer awareness for the past four years. She has given approximately \$3,000.00 a year for the past four years for a total of over \$12,000.00 to the Susan G. Komen Cancer Awareness and the American Cancer Society. She especially has a heart for breast cancer awareness because she herself is a two time breast cancer survivor. She has been recognized and nominated for the Lamplighter Award but did not win. She also received a letter signed by President Obama recognizing her efforts.

➤ **Betty Raye Willians, AREA - Augusta Chapter, Georgia**

AREA- Augusta Chapter is proud to nominate Betty Raye Williams as our Bi-Annual Volunteer. Betty retired from AAFES in 1999 with 25 working years. Upon retirement, she had accumulated so many sick leave hours she was actually credited with another year of service, and thus retired with 26 years of service.

Betty started working for AAFES in El Paso, Texas as a cashier and continued working as a cashier after moving to Fort Gordon, Georgia. She was then transferred to the shoe department where she stayed until retirement. After 1 year of retirement, she decided to come back to work part-time for AAFES as an Early Morning Stocker. Management recognizes what a gem they have in Betty and she is often used to substitute for people who are out sick or on vacation. Betty's can-do attitude and versatility make her a continued asset to the AAFES family.

Betty volunteers at the Broadway Baptist Church as a switchboard operator and at the C. T. Walker Magnet school where her great-grandchildren now attend. With her husband of 54 years, J.D., she also helps elderly church members and friends in mowing the lawn, trimming up bushes and taking care of their yards.

Betty and J.D. have four children, five grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. They are currently taking care of two of their Great-Grandchildren full time. Before health became an issue, J.D. volunteered extensively at the Veterans Administration.

In her spare time, Betty takes trips with the Corner Stone Ministry. Last year, she went to Birmingham, Alabama and visited the Martin Luther King Museum and other historical sites. She is really looking forward to her New York trip this year, where she is planning on "doing-up-the-town".

Betty is an amazing bundle of joyous energy. She likes to remind the younger folks she works with that "AAFES is not a bad place to work. You have to put yourself into your job, to get the most out of it. AAFES helped us put all our children through college. The nice thing is, the store closes early (9 p.m.), so you can be at home at night with your kids and have a life, which is different than working at other retail stores!"

➤ **Arlene Moore, AREA – West Georgia Chapter**

Arlene is a member of the Epworth United Methodist Church in Smiths, Alabama. She always volunteers to prepare meals, especially her famous desserts for visiting soldiers from Fort Benning to college kids who come down for Spring break to help with Homes for Habitat. She does the bible school classes in summer, and always when church has a special meal day like Food Fest in June, Halloween and Christmas. Her menu for these events includes 5-gallons of homemade chili, 400 Congo bars (cookies), pumpkin rolls, Oreo cookie cake and red velvet cake. To do this food service twice a month for eleven years makes her a very special person. Arlene does this with love in her heart and truly enjoys doing so.

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COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS, Autumn, 2012

➤ **Dwellie D Jackson, Exchange Retiree, Augusta Chapter:** Worked 28 years for AAFES. She was hired to work in the Cafeteria making pizzas for delivery. Then moved to the pastry department making donuts, where she got an award for donut making. When the bakery section of the cafeteria shut down, she went to work in the Main Store in the Military Clothing Department as a Sales Associate and followed this department when a separate Military Clothing Sales Store (MCSS) was established. She also was a Union Representative for 19 years while working at the Exchange and enjoyed a great relationship with both the employees and management. After retirement, she and her husband moved from Augusta to Thomson, Georgia where she currently resides. With her 6 children firmly on their way with their own lives, she turned her attention to volunteering.

For the past 10 years, she has been volunteering at Vanderhorst Christian Methodist Episcopal Church helping with Bible School and the refreshments for the children. The children have taught her how to change her approach in talking to them. "They have minds of their own these days and question everything. In order to reach them you have to be honest and truthful."

Dwellie is also the Local Missionary President for her Church. She is most proud of being able to help people during bereavements, encouraging others to study the Bible and helping with the Church's college scholarship fund.

She visits two Personal Care Homes a month distributing Birthday Cards, talking to the residents, listening to their stories and reading the Bible. She enjoys talking with the older residents as they are a living history of Georgia and what stories they tell! They have taught her that listening to another is the greatest gift one can give. It may seem like a "small" thing, but listening validates a person's self esteem, lets them know they have something interesting to say and helps them to relive happier times in their past which always brings a smile to everyone.

Four years ago Dwellie became Chaplin for the group "Key Women of America". Their Mission is to provide scholarships for low income children wanting to go to college. After Volunteering,

her second passion is traveling in the United States and Overseas.

Dwellie is so appreciative of AAFES. "It is a good company! As a single parent with 6 children to look after (my first husband had passed away when they were young), the Managers were always there to support me. There were times when I had to take off work to help my kids, and through their willingness to let me off, I was able to raise my kids and get all of them through college. I am so proud to have worked for such wonderful Managers and for a company which has kept its retirement promises."

➤ **Carol Adams, Retiree:** Carol is being recognized for her volunteerism over the last five years for the work and support she has given to Cooks Children's Hospital in Fort Worth. Besides being a "Rocker" for the infants that are hospitalized, Carol has been making and chairing a group of volunteers for the DFW Stitch A Wish campaign sewing pillow cases for all the children that come thru the doors of Cooks for over seven years, as well as chairing the volunteers and collecting monetary donations and prize donations committee for the David Mayo Scramble in 2007. This past April/May, besides sewing the pillow cases, Carol also chaired and worked on sewing over 200 water bottle covers for the day camp associated with Cooks.

➤ **Colbie Lake, Exchange Associate:** Colbie Lake is a two year member of Search One Rescue Team which is a nonprofit organization that uses specially trained Search and Rescue (SAR) K9s to assist governmental agencies in locating lost and missing persons. The team is in their 28th year serving all of North Central Texas (and beyond). The team consists of 42 members and 27 dogs providing four specific K9 disciplines to include Trailing, Area Search (or Air Scent), Human Remains Detection (HRD) and Disaster. Colbie trains with the team one day every weekend and can be called out on searches at any time, day or night.

➤ **Angeles Francisco, Fort Lee Exchange:** Angeles has provided funds to send 3 Philippians students to universities. La Salle University, Nursing Degree; Lipa City College, Teaching Degree; and Batanggas University, Engineer Degree, allowing them to be able to support themselves in a professional manner. The nurse is doing volunteer nursing duties for now, the teacher is still in school expecting to graduate in March 2013 and the engineer is currently in Saudi Arabia as a computer engineer. Angie has never been recognized from the organizations or the town.

➤ **Maza Wilson, Fort Lee Exchange:** Maza started working with the Hopewell Quarterback League in 1977 thru 2012. She was a Sponsor, a Representative and later she was titled Athletic Director. Serving on the executive board and was very instrumental in getting many youths off the street by signing them up to play football and joining the cheerleaders squad. She went through the community and gathered the youth and signed them up to play football and cheering squad. Throughout her term she signed at least 25 girls for cheering and 40 boys to football. She still supports the HQL where her great granddaughter is a member of the cheering squad.

She also became a sponsor for the youth basketball team where she encouraged two men to become volunteer coaches. She has signed up at least 30 to 40 boys for the teams.

➤ **Mara Cranfill, Fort Lee Exchange:** Mara is an Adoption Stand Volunteer. She helps setup & breakdown adoption stands (set up tables, chairs, crates, water bowls, crate cards, etc.) For the pets that are not adopted at that time, Mara pays them special attention to them to ensure they become adoptable in future. For some of the dogs & cats this is important as this may be their only human contact - so the more she is kind and loving to them, the more adoptable they become.

She help takes strays found in the community, rescues animals from shelters, and accepts pets surrendered by owners who can no longer care for them. She transports all rescues to and from adoptions stands with her own vehicle and time.

Henrico Humane Society is run entirely by volunteers and has no paid staff. They do not have a shelter and instead keep most of the animals in foster homes until permanent, loving homes can be found for them. Mara displays a strong commitment to the organization's mission & values and is loyal in supporting the Henrico Humane Society Organization's community activities through her continuous efforts to stop the euthanizing of homeless cats and dogs.

➤ **Paula M. Martinez, Exchange Associate, Fairchild AFB Exchange:** Paula has had a lifelong emotional connection to the military and uses that connection to inspire those around her to truly appreciate the Greatest Customers in the World. She helps to mentor newly arrived spouses to Fairchild and helps them with the difficult transition to military life. Paula is active in her church as a cantor, a reader of liturgy and a greeter. She aides the Medical Lake, Washington Food Bank and the homeless shelter in Spokane by providing and raising donations. She is also a donator to St Joseph's Lakota Indian school in South Dakota. Paula has adopted an international child in Honduras by sending financial contributions, clothing, and school items.

➤ **Elma Gates, Shift Manager, Lewis North:** Elma is the senior usher at Grace Chapel located on Joint Base Lewis McChord. She also serves on the hospitably committee, has worked with the junior ushers, was president of the women group, and works with a group of retired military folks by the name IN Touch We Care. With this group she is the chair head for outreach. She has also held the position of President of AAFES Employees Assoc. local chapter for 6 years.

➤ **Louise Triplett, Exchange Associate, Joint Base Lewis-McChord:** Louise has done much in the JBLM community. While at North Fort she spent many off duty hours across the street at Grace Chapel. Many times retired Exchange managers come into the store to say hello to Louise and share stories of Louise helping a church member who had lost a loved one due to health, suicide, or to conflict. Every Thanksgiving she discreetly gives single employees with large families food baskets. These ongoing contributions demonstrate why she is being recognized for her community service.

➤ **LaFondra Dixon, Exchange associate, HQ:** LaFondra volunteers at Church of Living God in Christ (Oak Cliff), feeds the elderly and helps Youth with Bible Study and Youth Programs every other Sat

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COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS, April, 2011

- **Elizabeth R. Baum, Retired Exchange Associate & AREA Member:** Elizabeth has spent the last six years donating one weekend a month of her time to the Ronald McDonald House in Columbus, Georgia. The Ronald McDonald House provides food and shelter for family members who have children that are undergoing treatment for cancer in the local hospitals. She is a house mother and helps family members get accustomed to a home away from home and sees that they are provided with food, shelter and assistance with transportation to and from the hospital to visit their children.
- **Gisela DeMarco, Spouse of Deceased Exchange Associate & Chapter Member:** The President of the Bundesrepublik Germany awarded Gisela the Verdienstorden of the Bundesrepublik Deutschland. In the US, this would be the order of merit for services on behalf of the country (not the military); in France it is the Legion of Honor; in Great Britain it is knighthood. The award was instituted in 1951 by then President Heuss and Chancellor Adenauer. Details on the award are at Wikipedia: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Order_of_Merit_of_the_Federal_Republic_of_Germany)

Gisela was involved in the founding of a German Language Saturday School as part of the Dallas Goethe Center in 1990. There were a handful of small children then. Gisela directed the school, which was successful and, in the course of the following years, classes were developed for adults (even some exchange associates). The school now has 120 students, at two locations, one down-town and one in Richardson. Gisela was nominated for the award by the Consul General Roland Herrmann.

- **Lesley D. Glenn, Exchange Associate:** Lesley is active participant in her community by helping others as volunteer with Big Brothers and Big Sister. She also mentors a child and raises money for activities and personal investment in the child's life.
- **Manoj Parikh, Exchange Associate:** Following the death of his son in 2010, Manoj Parikh donated tens of thousands of dollars to the University of Michigan and the Sujal Parikh Foundation; an organization that was started to honor his son and the work he was doing as a researcher in the fight against HIV/AIDS in Uganda as a part of the Center for Global Health. Well into retirement eligibility, Manoj continues to work tirelessly for the Exchange so that he can continue financial support of the foundation named for his son. Funds raised by the foundation are used to provide scholarships to medical students as well as fund global educational initiatives. Manoj hopes to continue working for the Exchange until his contributions to the foundation are in excess of \$100,000.

➤ **George and Hui Cha Ashley, Exchange Associates:** George and Hui Cha are sponsoring two Hispanic churches, one in Raeford, NC. and the other on Vass, NC, and have donated care packages to HAITI during their time of need due to the tragedy that struck the country. At the present time they are running a nonprofit organization out of Raeford, NC called Hands of Love Outreach. The mission is to feed anyone that may be physically or spiritually in need and to show love the way that Jesus did. For more details visit <http://www.facebook.com/handsofloveoutreach09at>

➤ **Lori Drummond, Exchange Associate:** Since 2010, Lori has been volunteering for the American Cancer Society in Fort Worth. She has participated in various efforts to raise money for the annual Cowtown Ball that is held not only to raise additional monies but to spread awareness for the ACS.

➤ **Ola Bello, Exchange Associate:** Ola has actively participated in Habitat for Humanity building homes across the DFW area, providing Thanksgiving meals to the homeless, and feeding low income families through Angel Food Ministry

➤ **Cynthia Franco, Exchange Associate:** Cynthia has devoted much of her spare time organizing food drives for the North Texas Food Bank. Despite several illnesses over the past few years, she's still found time and strength to support this noble effort.

➤ **Peggie Sellers, Exchange Associate:** Peggie serves her church on a regular basis and now donates her time to Hospice.

➤ **Kimberly Swinson, Exchange Associate:** Kimberly is very active in the Charleston Community and is known throughout the Exchange for her Charity Work. She became involved with a non-profit organization dedicated to bring Mardi gras into the Charleston area along with donating, time, money and services to charities throughout the year. The organization is the Krewe of Charleston and Kim sits on the board of directors as a lieutenant. The Krewe, among other things, hosts an extravagant gala masked ball once a year where the proceeds go to different local charity. Some of these charities include; The MUSC Children's Hospital, in particular the cancer ward. Through the Krewe Kim also works with Brian Brennan, a Citadel graduate and Army Captain who lost his legs in Afghanistan. His foundation "Brennan Stands Alone" helps wounded veterans receive much needed prosthetics and after care upon returning home from war. Kim also organized and executed art and fun at the Lowcountry Orphan Relief's "Make a Child Happy Day" where she painted with 100 children from foster care at the daylong event, giving them a piece of their own art to take with them, and donated bags of art supplies to each child so that they could continue to enjoy and express themselves no matter where they were. This is just a small part of Kim's commitment to the Charleston community. She has touched so many lives and continues making things better for those that are a little less fortunate.

➤ **Allene West, Exchange Associate:** Allene along with her husband, have been foster parents with the state of Virginia starting in 2007 until present. Allene was a foster child herself which gave her the desire to want to give something back to other children and her community. She has fostered eight children and currently has two children she is carrying for. She provides a loving and caring family environment that the children need and deserve to have. She empowers in them strength and confidence so that when the time comes for them to leave they have learned to know that they can succeed despite their current situation.

➤ **Patricia Wilkins, Exchange Associate:** Patricia is a 20 year volunteer in her community - Chamber of Commerce, Educational Foundation at Ready Springs, Lions Club and The Penn Valley Community Rodeo Association. She is a board member of the Penn Valley Community Rodeo Association, which was established in 2004 to provide a safe environment for folks to enjoy equestrian events and riding. The association provides two scholarships annually to High School Seniors who will be pursuing agriculture or animal science majors in college.

➤ **Jose and Peggy Bonilla, Exchange Associates:** Jose and Peggy, associates of the Waco Distribution Center, are currently engaged with the Child Protection Services in Waco, Texas and have been since August, 2011. They have taken several displaced children into their home and provided them with a safe and conducive environment until a determination can be reached for a permanent home. Even though financial assistance is provided by Child Protection Services, sometimes expenses are absorbed by themselves. Jose and Peggy are currently seeking adoption for one child.

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COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS, October, 2011

➤ **Dr. Peggy A. Buckner, Retiree:** Dr. Buckner is definition of the word “humanitarian”. She is a woman of character, of grace, of humility, and of honor. She has lived a life of sacrificial giving. She is absolutely committed to helping those who need a helping hand.

For example, three days after she retired from AAFES, she received a call from a friend. This friend told her that her husband had died, unexpectedly, and she did not know what to do. For the next six months, Dr. Buckner walked this widow through the process of burying her husband, and preparing her for life after her husband.

On 12 January 2010, there was a massive earthquake in Haiti. When the earthquake occurred, she first contacted the American Red Cross and made a donation. Then, she contacted her church and asked them to provide assistance. Next, she was on the internet, challenging people from around the world to make a donation to the American Red Cross in support of Haiti.

During the summer of 2010, Dr. Buckner opened her home to four children – ages 5, 6, 8, and 11. These children were from very dysfunctional homes. She provided love, and a stable environment. She spared no expense when it came to fun and learning. At the end of their stay, the children did not want to leave.

When a ministry that she had been supporting in India for a number of years needed a vehicle, without hesitation, she donated the money for the Gospel for Tribals Social Service Society could buy a very much needed jeep. Later, she invited the founder and president, Bishop Marineni Jacob to Texas.

Dr. Buckner has financially supported churches in Ethiopia; houses being built for flood victims in Guam; freeing slaves in the Sudan; distributing gospel tracts in Iraq; spreading the gospel into Iran; getting Bibles into China. There are many other instances that I could share, but these are just a few to demonstrate her commitment to the community of mankind.

➤ **Coy Jackson, Son of Exchange Associate, Headquarters:** Coy volunteers at All Star Equestrian in Mansfield, TX every weekend where he helps handicapped children with horseback therapy. He also mucks the stalls, hauls hay, feeds and waters the horses, sidewalks (holding the children on the horse) and leads the horses. There are many more duties that he performs while at All Star, just too many to list. He volunteers every Saturday morning and during the week if they need more help. Coy has volunteered at All Star for about 2 years and loves every minute of it.

➤ **Hunter Jackson, Son of Exchange Associate, Headquarters:** Hunter volunteers at All Star Equestrian in Mansfield, TX every Saturday morning. He is only 13 so he is not old enough to walk with the handicapped children, but he feeds and waters the horses, leads the horses in and out of the barn and back to the pasture, mucks the stalls, hauls hay and helps with numerous other chores around the barn. Hunter also volunteers at our church every chance he gets.

➤ **Beryl Eugene, Brother of Exchange Associate, Headquarters (Stoneridge Calling Center, Desoto):** Beryl is recognized for volunteering advocacy and support for students with disabilities.

➤ **Catherine A. Leo, Exchange Associate, Headquarters:** Catherine has volunteered with the Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity for over 2 years serving in a verity of areas. She has helped build houses in low income areas, engage & register new volunteers, and various office and research projects. Her efforts have helped to revitalize neighborhoods and build community. Catherine has also volunteered for the past 8 yrs. in the Children's Medical Center parade working as a bleacher host, costume character and banner clown.

➤ **Tamara D. Rivera, Exchange Associate, Headquarters:** Tamara faithfully volunteers weekly and for special events at Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children where she was once a patient. She believes in giving back. She believes that it is an awesome opportunity for her to give back and to make a difference in the lives of the children at TSRHC. TSRHC is one of the nation's leading pediatric centers for the treatment of orthopedic conditions. Admission is open to Texas children from birth up to 18 years of age, and patients receive treatment regardless of the family's ability to pay.

➤ **Roque Moreira, Exchange Associate, Headquarters:** Roque is being recognized for 15 Years as a Scout Leader, 10 years as a youth minister, and over 6 months providing legal services PRO BONO to indigent residents of North Texas.

➤ **Myra Towner-Rankin, Exchange Associate, Headquarters:** Myra Towner-Rankin works in conjunction with The Writers Garret, The Dallas Independent School District and the Arts Council to reach out to students in South Dallas. She has completed an apprenticeship offered by The Writers Garret for Writers in the Schools and now works, under the tutelage of the Writers Garret as a Creative Literary Specialist, serving at-risk students in third through fifth grade in an after-school program. She teaches them pride, preparedness and presentation skills so they can learn to "paint with words." Rankin has also served as an academic coach for creative writing at North Lake College.

Myra Towner-Rankin also volunteered for the Disaster Action Team (DAT) for the American Red Cross. DAT members are trained to serve clients at the scene of the disaster with services that range from hot coffee and blankets to temporary sleeping accommodations and credit cards activated in the field for immediate use. In addition, Rankin serves as a Block Captain in her neighborhood to keep her neighbors informed of crime statistics, local events, neighborhood improvement initiatives and community meetings.

Rankin is also the author of a novel titled: "The Rain Will Tell" and will have a second novel published this year.

➤ **Patrick E. Coffman, Exchange Associate(Procurement Manager), Headquarters:** Every holiday season, Patrick includes many AAFES associates, staff, neighbors, friends, and

community members together to his home for a holiday event dedicated to providing necessities to families in need.

Patrick spends endless hours in advance of the event to personally prepare food, decorate his home and tree with an annual theme, and to coordinate the event contributions.

Guests are asked to bring household goods, toys, clothes and other items which are not typically offered to families through other organizations

Patrick works directly with local charities to provide the needed contributions in time for the holiday. His selfless effort and personal financial effort to provide this event has been ongoing for a number of years and is growing with participation annually.

➤ **Lorraine K. Temple, Exchange Associate, Headquarters:** Lorraine Temple has been a volunteer USA Swimming Official since 2005 and volunteers her time every weekend to officiate competitive swimming throughout North Texas. She has been certified by USA Swimming to work at the National level and has not only worked in North Texas but has traveled throughout Texas as well as to California, Georgia and North Carolina to officiate at the elite levels of competitive swimming. These competitions run from 3-6 days, many with preliminary and final rounds of competition. USA Swimming does not pay their officials; therefore, she must pay all her own expenses to officiate at these competitions.

Lorraine is also a certified NCAA Swimming Official and has officiated meets at universities in the Dallas area to include the Sun Belt Conference Championships and the upcoming Atlantic Coastal Championships. These meets usually run over several days with preliminary and final rounds of competition and normally include 4-8 competing universities.

Lorraine is also a certified Texas Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association (TISCA) Official and officiates on weekdays and weekends for local high school swimming meets throughout North Texas, but is highly desired in the Rockwall community, beginning each year in Sept and ending after the District and Regional meets the following February. High school swimming officials are unpaid versus other sports officials in Texas. This speaks highly towards her dedication and fairness of play to the sport for coaches and athletes alike.

➤ **Malinda Kimber, Exchange Associate, Fort Hood:** Every year for the past 2 yrs she orders T-shirts, which she then designs. Associates purchase them if they want (volunteer basis) for breast cancer awareness month. We wear them every Thursday in October to show our support for Breast cancer

➤ **Marie Henry, Exchange Associate, Fort Jackson:** Marie Henry has been volunteering and assisting with the Youth Group at her church for seventeen years. She began assisting the Youth Group when she had family who were a part of this group. Even though she no longer has family ties to the Youth Group, she continues to accompany the youth of her church on spiritual retreats.

Marie Henry will often spend her time volunteering for car washes to raise money for the needy families in the Columbia area.

Marie Henry volunteers at St. Martin the Porres which is a church located in Columbia where she helps feed the homeless.

In the winter, one can often find her volunteering to help rake yards of the elderly in her community.

➤ **Linda Rokicki, Exchange Associate, Offutt AFB Exchange:** Linda was nominated for her selfless dedication to co-workers by dedicating vacation leave and flying from Omaha to Minot, ND to help with flood relief efforts.

➤ **Louise Baltimore, Exchange Associate, Ft. Stewart Main Store:** Louise tirelessly volunteers at a senior citizens home 2 to 4 times a week. She provides a friendly smile, a helping

hand, reads to them and most importantly offers companionship. On many occasions she volunteers immediately after working an 8 hour shift at the exchange. Year around, she buys many items for the residents like toiletries, socks and other items she identifies that there is a need for. She is well deserving of this recognition.

➤ **Richard Chamberlain, Spouse of Exchange Associate, Sheppard North Express, and Retired Army:** Richard has worked with the Green Knights MMC Ch. 54 as President to bring motorcycle awareness to Sheppard AFB. He is also involved with raising funds year round to provide Christmas presents to the local children's home. Richard has planned and organized the National Ride to Work Day for the past two years.

➤ **Wilda Chamberlain, Exchange Associate, Sheppard AFB Exchange:** Wilda has in the past three years been the Secretary for the Green Knights MMC Ch. 54. She has helped every year in the raising of funds to provide Christmas present for children in the local Children's home. Wilda also is involved in the awareness and safety of motorcycle riders at Sheppard AFB due to her being on the AAFES Health and Safety Council and the annual Ride to Work Day.

➤ **Bill Burnham, Shift Manager, Express, Buckley AFB, Aurora, Colorado:** Bill has donated 65 gallons of blood and was just recognized by Bonifils Blood Center, was CNN and the local news where he received a plaque.

➤ **Merly Gofigan, Exchange Associate, Los Alamitos MCSS:** Merly drives senior citizens from the Stanton Community Center every Monday to pick up free can foods and other items that they can't afford to buy. The community center relies on volunteers to take the senior citizen to and from these organizations.

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➤ **Bruce E. Gibson, Exchange Associate, Headquarters:** For the past three years, Bruce has volunteered his time with the United Methodist Church “Amigos Days” ministry. Amigos Days is a hands-on ministry where urban and suburban churches are joining together with residents of urban neighborhoods to make a difference in the city. Bruce’s church (Holy Covenant United Methodist Church in Carrollton) partners with 30 area churches to help with hands-on revitalization of local neighborhoods. The goals of Amigos Days include restoring and revitalizing urban communities. They replace rotten siding, window panes, scrape, re-paint, trim trees & bushes, cut grass, replace old window screens, etc. They work on one or two houses per year and generally spend 4 days per year per house (two consecutive weekends per job) to do the repairs. Depending on the weather, magnitude of work and number of volunteers, they may put in another day or two. The work is done on Fridays and Saturdays. Bruce even takes vacation leave on Fridays to volunteer his time. In 2009 and 2010, he primarily removed/replaced and painted siding, and rebuilt and painted rotten window panes. The following is a link to where our Amigos Days photos are located:
www.hcumc.org/Photos/Missions/2009-amigos.html

Most of the homes they work on are owned by elderly individuals who cannot do the work themselves and whose homes are in such bad shape that the city has given them notice to get it fixed or else.

➤ **David H. Hufford, Exchange Associate, Headquarters:** David has been playing music on Sunday mornings at the La Dora Nursing and Rehab Center in Bedford, Texas for the past couple of years. He meets a man there that delivers a sermon and David plays spiritual/gospel music and sings to the group. They all seem to enjoy the music but also the time they spend afterwards just visiting with them.

David also plays the music for Saturday and Sunday evening masses at St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church and is actively involved in the men’s group CHRP (Christ Renews His Parish).

➤ **Shane H. Sellmann, Exchange Associate, Headquarters:** Shane has been an active member of both St. Barnabas United Methodist Church and the Boy Scouts of America. Shane believes he can serve the community by being a positive role model to today’s youth. Shane has volunteered to teach Sunday school at the church for the past 3 years. He has taught grades K-5, on a rotating schedule. Many of his students are also in his Cub Scout Den.

Shane has been an active Den Leader of the Scouts for 3 years. He started at the lowest level of Scouts, Tiger Scouts, and is currently molding the Bear Den. He has recently taken up the role of

being the new Tiger Den leader this year. The boys rotate through the ranks, and he goes with them. This year, however, there was a lack of parent participation in the Tiger Den, so Shane stepped up and is doing both Tigers and Bears, 1st grade and 3rd grade respectively.

➤ **VernNadetta Anderson, Exchange Associate, Headquarters:** VernNadetta has spent her time volunteering in different events to support kids in the Dalworth Community. She has served as the leader in a back-to-school drive, Thanksgiving dinners to seniors, and most recently lead a donation of school shirts to the David Daniels Elementary School in Grand Prairie, TX.

➤ **Oliver and Tammy Clayton, Exchange Associate's Parents, Headquarters:** My parents are always reaching out to the community. They have been transforming the lives of at-risk youth and families; supplying them with technical training in the areas of plumbing, HVAC, general office skills, and tax preparations. Because of their dedication and love for everyone they encounter, they deserve to be recognized for all that they do. (Associate: Shenequa M. Clayton – Green)

➤ **James A. Denning, Spouse of Exchange Associate, Headquarters:** Jim works to benefit St. Joseph's Indian School, Chamberlain, S.D. He buys toys, clothing, laundry detergent, pots and pans, band aids, shampoo, conditioner and lots of other things that the 200 children at the school need. Twice a year, he drives up to visit the school and help in the warehouse. This year, he entered a contest at QVC called ALL THE JOY and won \$3,500 worth of products for the kids at the school. (Associate: Marianne)

➤ **Jorge A. Calandria, Exchange Associate, Headquarters:** Jorge is an Assistant Scout Master with Troop 445 in Arlington, Texas. Troop 445 is sponsored by St. Barnabas United Methodist Church in Arlington. Jorge has actively been with the Boy Scout Program for 7 years. He works with the Boy Scouts in our community ranging from Tigers through Webelos as an assistant scout master and is currently working with Boy Scouts ages 11-18. He has assisted more than 8 Boy Scouts in becoming Eagle Scouts. Jorge has led the Boy Scouts in accomplishing community projects such as building projects at our community parks, churches and schools. The Arlington scouting program has also assisted Mission Arlington with donations as well as community projects to help the homeless and persons in need.

➤ **Steve Wood, Exchange Associate, Headquarters:** Steve is a Construction Lead for the Rockwall Area Habitat for Humanity. He has been in this position for the last two years and has worked on the completion of three houses and will soon be starting a fourth house. Most of his Saturdays are spent working on constructing homes that benefit others. The organization he is working with has additional information at www.rackwallhabitat.org

➤ **James W. West, Motor Vehicle Operator, Exchange Warehouse, Waco, Texas:** For more than 30yrs Jim has been a Volunteer Firefighter and currently serves as Assistant Fire Chief of Moody Volunteer Fire Department. He is also a volunteer Mutual Aid for the cities of McGregor, Lorena, Troy and Moody Fire Departments all located locally in the McLennan County area. Jim leads toy drives for the Christmas holidays for children and needy families. He has also played an enormous role in fundraising for Jerry's Kids by rendering his services during May-Fest which included his support during the fish fry's and barbecue fundraisers. Jim always goes the extra mile to volunteer his time to help those that may be in danger or may just need a helping hand.

➤ **Burger King Group Award, Michelle Hetcher, Manager, Spangdahlem AB, Germany:** In March 2010, an AAFES Associate's apartment burned down, (Frank Miller (74), BK, Spangdahlem AFB). Michelle, Manager of the Burger King, found Mr. Miller a new apt, and organized the move with other Burger King associates so Mr. Miller would have an easy transition into his new home. Michelle also goes above and beyond the call of duty for her own employees. She brings breakfast from home or other cooked dishes or birthday cakes to improve the morale and working environment. The associates that assisted in the move were : Local National employees: Hermine Schroeder, Gisela Aldrich, Dirk Meyer, Dimitrious Nasou, Gary Hackl, Jennifer Sanoske. US employees were: Charles Wieber, Steve Short, Michelle Hetcher, Gary Hoffman.

➤ **Juanita McFadden, Exchange Associate, Fort Gordon Main Exchange, Georgia:** Juanita goes beyond the call of duty for her fellow co-worker. When he has no way to get to work, every morning she gets up extra early so she can give him a ride - rain or shine - even on her days off, and whether it's vacation time or not. If she can't make it, she makes sure someone else gets him to work on time. She has been doing this almost one year and never has never had a second thought about it. She enjoys everything in life but number one she loves helping everyone she can help. Juanita is truly deserving of this recognition.

➤ **Tonya M. Ruppel, Exchange Associate, Fort Irwin, California:** Tonya has shown great devotion to the Exchange. When her grandfather passed away two days before inventory was to start, Tonya drove to his funeral on Friday morning to Arizona, a 7-hour drive, and then drove all of the way back to make sure she was present for the MCSS inventory on Saturday.

➤ **Betty C Mutai, Family Member of Exchange Associate – Eric K. Mutai, FA Contingency Operations Manager, Southern Iraq Exchange – Tallil:** Betty is...

▲ ...an active member and official at her school's student council where she has helped mobilize the members to undertake community clean up exercises.

▲ ...a prosecuting attorney at the Arlington Teen Court - has served for over three years.

▲ ...recognized for her academic excellence (Honors) as a senior in her school, Bowie High-Arlington. She has earned respect and admiration from fellow students who seek her help-tutoring.

▲ ...an Usher and Youth Leader in her local church. She has organized several successful bi-annual Youth Church Conferences-(International Harvest Church, Irving).

▲ ...is a role model to many immigrant children.

➤ **June Knochel, Exchange Associate, Westover, Massachusetts:** June is the Assistant Store Manager at Westover Branch Store. She is also the Family Readiness Group Leader for the Springfield Recruiting Company, Albany Battalion. She collected school supplies for Operation Home Front for the soldier's families in August 2010. During Christmas 2010, she collected over 50,000 toys for area soldiers for Operation Home Front. She donated a portion of those toys to our local USO and Airman and Family Readiness on Westover Air Reserve Base. June made personal contributions to Catholic Charities in Brockton, Massachusetts. She has assisted a soldier whose two daughters were in Haiti during the earthquake. They lost their mother during this tragedy and June assisted them when arrived to America. She provided clothing and school supplies for the 2 young girls. June has also motivated and assisted local military wives to apply and register for college. She has created a Face Book page and yahoo group for the military spouses.

Donald H. Caver, Exchange Associate, Fort Campbell, Kentucky: Donny has always had a love for baseball. Before getting married and having a son of his own to play the game, Donny coached the Northwest Little League team in Clarksville, TN. He continues to coach today and last year led the team to the District 9 championship, on to the state games in Bristol, TN., winning the coveted Tennessee State Championship, and took third place at the regional games in Greenville, NC. In addition Donny organized and created the Clarksville Bulldogs, a traveling baseball team. He has dedicated himself in service to these young boys and girls throughout the years and has mentored each child in sportsmanship. Donny has served as the vice president of the ball club and has respectfully declined the position of club president as he would not be allowed to follow his calling as Coach Donny to so many young people. His interaction and dedicated involvement has served the community in transforming these children into model citizens for the past 19 years.

➤ **David Young, Exchange Associate, Fort AP Hill, Bowling Green, Virginia:** David volunteers with the Boy Scouts and his church youth group. In July 2010 David volunteered for two-weeks as an archery coach at the Boy Scout Jamboree held at Ft. AP Hill. During this time he supported the gathering of 40,000+ scouts from around the nation.

➤ **Donna Carter, Exchange Associate (Spouse of Active Duty), Little Rock AFB, Arkansas:** Donna is a Key Spouse Advisor for Little Rock AFB. She helps spouses while their husbands are deployed and makes sure they are taken care of. She checks on each spouse assigned to her as often as they would like and makes sure they are taken care of after any major event in the area, such as a storm. She attends Deployment Dinners, departures, and homecomings to offer her support of the families. She receives no compensation for her time or cell phone. She is pulled away from her family quite often and does it despite having a husband that deploys often. She is very unselfish and deserves to be recognized for the compassion she shows others.

➤ **Christi Cook, Exchange Associate, Eglin Exchange, Florida:** Christi has been supporting Red Shirt Events not only during workdays but also on her own time – she goes to airport in the early mornings or late evenings to support our airmen who are either coming back from deployment or going to deploy. Christi volunteers her time, and shares her personal knowledge and expertise, to improving social health of the communities where we live and work.

➤ **Diane Ward, Exchange Associate's Sister-in-Law, Richmond, Virginia:** Diane has for years been driving her neighbor to Maryland every Saturday night to get food for the homeless people, and then they feed them. Some items are taken to area churches as well. She does this along with working her job. This takes a lot of time, energy and dedication for her, especially when she is tired. A few

times my brother has had to assist to help his wife and she is using her POV to go these extra miles to feed the hungry.

➤ **Chuck Poffenbarger, Exchange Retiree, Dallas, Texas:** Chuck is a consummate community volunteer. He is always available to help where needed and has taken on numerous volunteer roles. He was appointed by the Dallas County Commissioners Court and served for several years on the Metrocare Board of Directors (providing mental health and mental retardation services). He is the President of AREA and has served in that capacity since 2002 and has done an excellent job keeping the organization viable and supporting the retirees of AAFES, He has been at the forefront in gaining substantial financial support for the organization particularly the scholarship fund. He continues to serve because no one is willing to step forward and accept that role. This is certainly a commitment to community service. He also leads the Grand Prairie Wellness Center as its President and CEO. After serving as a Board Member, he took over the leadership in 2005. He immediately got directly involved and through his hands on approach transformed the accounting system into one that is recognized as a model in the non-profit arena. At the same time, took on the role of Grants Program Director and has done an incredible job over the last several years of managing the program. Grants received in 2005 totaled \$137,439. This past year the grants received by the Grand Prairie Wellness Center reached a new high at \$354,353. As all of this was taking place, service to our indigent clients has increased from \$252,577 in 2005 to over \$688,803 in 2010. He never seeks recognition but it most appropriate he be recognized for these accomplishments and the many others that have not been noted,

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COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS, OCTOBER, 2010

➤ **Tito Villanueva, Retiree, Tacoma, Washington:** Tito has worked with the Tacoma Police Department as an unpaid desk volunteer since 2006. He has since provided more than 700 hours of valuable service to the public who, on a weekly basis, visits the Department's Northend Substation for information and to report crimes. His cheerful and helpful personality is deeply appreciated and reflects well on each and every member of the Police Department.

➤ **Tony Scanapico, Retiree, Round Top, Texas:** Tony became a Certified Texas Master Gardener in 1994 and transferred to the nearby Brazos County Master Gardener program in Round Top. (Brazos County is the Bryan/College Station area.) In 2008 he was named Master Gardener of the Year for Brazos County for his work in planning and co-coordinating the organization's Continuing Education Program. He is currently setting up the 2011 Continuing Ed Program.

**He's a Fellows Garden Volunteer at The International Festival-Institute at Round Top, known as Festival Hill. The Fellows level program recognizes volunteers who devote more than 100 hours a year to Festival Hill activities. Tony normally helps in the gardens several hundred hours each year and volunteers for over two weeks straight in each March in support of Festival Hill's Herbal Forum. As part of the Forum he co-hosts the Plant Sale, an excellent fund raising activity.

**Tony has chaired the Round Top based Herb Society of America (HSA) Pioneer Unit (chapter) activities. He's still a member of the local Board occupying various positions. As a member of HSA, Tony was elected to and served on The Society's National Board of Directors as the South Central District Membership Delegate. He has also served on national committees. He recently received a Certificate of Appreciation for his work in The Society. That award was presented at HSA's Education Conference in Boston.

**Tony has been active on the UT, Austin, Center for American History, Winedale Advisory Council. At the recommendation of the Center's Director, he was appointed to the Council by the President of UT about 10 years ago. Tony was asked to serve two terms as Chair of that body. His placement on the Council came about because of Tony's interests in history and gardening and his work on the UT historical gardening program, Oktober Gartenfest. (The Winedale Historical Center was originated by the Ima Hogg Foundation. It is located near Round Top.)

**Additionally, about six years ago, at the recommendation of the UT Shakespeare Department Director, the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts appointed Tony to UT's Shakespeare at Winedale Advisory Committee. As a very active member of that committee Tony has been in charge of each year's annual Gala set up, also a very successful fund raiser.

➤ **Deo Nabar, AAFES Associate, HQ, AAFES:** Deo is engaged with community, professional groups and AAFES in the best interest of economic development. Here are some examples:

- AAFES Asian Pacific Exchange (Diversity Resource Group) Worldwide Program Manager.
- Worldwide Oracle Retail User Group – Director-at-Large
- Carrollton/Farmers Branch Independent School District (ISD) Board of Directors (Strategic Planning & Development)

➤ **Jorge A. Calandria, AAFES Associate, Hq, AAFES:** Jorge is an Assistant Scout Master with Troop 445 in Arlington, Texas. Troop 445 is sponsored by St. Barnabas United Methodist Church in Arlington. Jorge has actively been with the Boy Scout program for 7 years. Jorge works with the Boy Scouts in our community ranging from Tigers through Webelos as an Assistant Scout Master and is currently working with Boy Scouts ages 11-18. He has assisted more than 8 Boy Scouts in becoming Eagle Scouts. Jorge has led the Boy Scouts in accomplishing community projects such as building projects at our community parks, churches and schools. The Arlington scouting program has also assisted Mission Arlington with donations as well as community projects to help the homeless and other persons in need. This has been a great opportunity to assist our youth with an outdoors adventure to learn about nature, the environment and the happenings in our community.

➤ **Lois Garza, AAFES Associate, Lackland AFB, Texas:** Lois is being recognized for these community projects:

- Thanksgiving Dinner served at Henry B. Gonzales Convention Center to feed the needy.
- January Cowboy Breakfast. All proceeds go to randomly picked schools each year.
- February Stock Show and Rodeo at the Rib Corral. Proceeds are given to High School seniors for college.
- April Susan B. Komen Breast Walk for breast cancer research.
- N.I.O.S.A (Night in Old San Antonio) four day Fiesta Time. Proceeds are provided for the beautification of San Antonio.

Pam Thompson, AAFES Associate, HQ, AAFES: Pam is being recognized for her tireless efforts in serving our Military Service members. Not only does Ms. Thompson eagerly support our troops on a daily basis as the jewelry buyer for the Exchange Online Store, she also provides on-going service by attending week-end deployment events at the DFW airport.

Pam rarely misses an opportunity to attend these events, lending a helping hand where needed to ensure the events are a complete success for our troops. She's one of the very first to extend her sincere appreciation to our military members for their service and to offer words of encouragement, hugs, smiles and follow-up care packages. And she's remembered! Service members often contact "The AAFES Lady" to assist them with their special jewelry purchases. Pam has received countless letters of appreciation along with pictures of the "perfect" engagement or wedding!

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COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS, 4th QUARTER, CALENDAR YEAR 2009

- **Tidewater Chapter, Hampton, Virginia:** The chapter and its members are commended for their proactive volunteer program. In addition to Jane Cutler, Nancy Van Camp, Ursula Foust and Elizabeth Wyman, the chapter is proud of the contributions of all of its members, including Mary Ebron (makes hats for homeless, is a bell ringer for the Salvation Army, and a driver for the blind and elderly), Gwen Peace (assists at both the Langley and Ft. Eustis exchanges during the holidays bagging merchandise and performing other customer service functions), and Ernestine Gibson (volunteers in a day care for children). Chapter members also represent the AREA Executive Board at the annual Hampton Roads American Logistics Association (HRALA) Benefit Luncheon in early December in which a donation is given to AREA in support of its Scholarship Program. Sadly, the Tidewater Chapter deactivated on December 31, 2009 due to a decline in membership and lack of volunteers to fill the officer positions. However, you can still contact the group as we have listed the Tidewater Chapter in the Chapter's link of our web site as one of the Informal Chapters, with Ursula Foust as the point of contact. Ursula's e-mail is Fousturs@aol.com. Thank you for agreeing to do this, Ursula.
- **Javier and Marilyn Cerna, Alamo Chapter, San Antonio, TX.:** Javier and Marilyn willingly give of their free time to help others – to chapter members by providing them transportation; spending time with retirees who are ill, and assisting them both physically and financially; and assisting and volunteering to help church members. Recently, Javier and Marilyn volunteered two weeks to help kids at summer camp. Additionally, Javier repaired numerous appliances, and did some plumbing and electrical work at the facility.
- **Gary Lee Zalatan, spouse of AAFES Associate, Ft. Leonard Wood, MO.:** Sharon Zalatan is a Shift Manager at the Ft. Leonard Wood Shoppette/Gas facility. Her husband, Gary, is a volunteer/reserve Deputy Sheriff with the Pulaski County Sheriff's Dept. and also a reserve officer with the city of Richland, Missouri. He has trained and uses two K-9 partners, who live at their home full time, and who are certified to do search and rescue, sniff out drugs, explosives. Gary does not get paid to do this or for the equipment or care of the dogs. Gary is also a volunteer fire fighter with the city of St. Robert, Missouri. After retiring from the Army he still feels the need to give back to our community/county and can be found volunteering for several other projects as the needs arise, such as taking deployed soldiers children fishing or hunting
- **Doris Douglas, AAFES Associate, Ft. Campbell, KY.:** Doris is active in the church and at work ensuring those who need care or assistance receive it, and she is always the first one to offer assistance. She provided phenomenal support to the family of a deceased AAFES associate, providing care and worship; donates and cooks food for the local shelters; is a youth advisor at her church providing food, clothing, and other types of assistance required; is on the "Mother" board at the church which provides assistance as needed to female members of the church of any age; she is a member of the "Touched by an Angel Ministry" which provides assistance and ministers to those who have lost a loved one; buys food for lunches for the kids so they have a nourishing lunch for the

weekend, and also assists in packing the backpacks; and is a member of the Missionary Group. Doris has taken in many members of her immediate family as well as her extended family during times of need.

➤ **Sharon Anderson, AAFES Associate, Ft. Jackson, S.C.:** Sharon is nominated for the strength and caring that she has shown for a former AAFES associate and her family. The former associate, Rachel, worked in the Accounting Office at Ft. Jackson several years ago. Recently, she had a C-section and is now having major complications after giving birth. Sharon has traveled to Savannah, GA to hold this former associate's hand and pray for her. Rachel is in CCU and is in a non responsive condition. She does not know her family members or her husband. She has never seen or held her newborn child. Sharon thought that if she could just sit and talk to this associate, she could bring the associate back. This associate's medical condition is critical. She has swelling on her brain. Sharon has established a circle of prayer to give comfort to Rachel and her entire family. Sharon is also very actively keeping all associates at Fort Jackson who know and love Rachel informed of her medical condition. Sharon is a caring person who goes above and beyond to provide care and comfort to both Rachel and her family.

➤ **Sue Catanch, AAFES Associate Shaw AFB, S.C.:** Sue Catanch donates breakfast items weekly to the Breakfast Ministry at Mt. Pisgah AME Church and also provides care boxes to the elderly and the sick and shut in the community. She donates items to community churches for the children in the community.

➤ **Willie Weeks, AAFES Associate, HQ, AAFES, Dallas, TX.:** About 6 years ago, Willie was coaching the Oak Cliff Jets when he decided to branch off and start his own organization, the Mid-Cities Giants. There are currently 5 football teams in the organization which is part of the Pop Warner League. Their season begins 1 August and the teams play through the end of October. Mr. Weeks spends hours and hours of his own time each year for these kids. He has touched hundreds of kids over the past years and has given them a role model to look up to. He encourages healthy habits of exercise and team building.

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COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS, 1ST QUARTER, CALENDAR YEAR 2009

- **Tom Harmon**: Tom has been involved in many community projects of the Duncanville Rotary Club, including placing flags out on holidays and packaging donated books to send to third world countries. Tom has also made trips to third world countries distributing wheel chairs on behalf of Rotary Club International.
- **Leslie R. Watson**: Leslie has volunteered over 1,000 hours with the Civilians on Patrol Program (COPS) over the past year, and is currently performing patrols once or twice a week. He is attending an advanced class one night per week given by many sections of the police department and FBI to better educate himself and to understand the effect of crime control by the civilian population. He has also volunteered at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery run by the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs. He is retired from the Marine Corps.
- **William "Bill" Langley**: Once each month Bill volunteers by serving food to the homeless at the City of Dallas Homeless Shelter.
- **Diane E. Van Loan**: Diane was diagnosed with breast cancer in December 2007. She is now receiving follow-up treatment, and is recovering nicely. Not content to be "just" another breast cancer survivor she has thrown her energies into being a Kirklin Clinic (Birmingham, AL) Breast Care Center "Angel", someone who befriends and counsels other breast cancer patients who are facing her type of surgery, or worse. In addition she has volunteered to be part of a study group that is looking at the effects of varying levels of treatment (estrogen therapy, chemotherapy, radiation therapy; any or all the three) on women with her same likelihood of having a recurrence. In doing so she may have to withstand more severe treatments and harmful side effects than what her recurrence level would normally call for. We are all extremely proud of Diane and her selfless concern for others.
- **Karen Smith**: Karen has been volunteering on Mondays for the local Habitat for Humanity in their Thrift Store, mostly sorting incoming clothing, but also bringing dirty (but otherwise good condition) clothing home to wash and dry, and iron if necessary, to enhance value to the local Habitat affiliate. She also volunteers during the school year on Tuesday through Friday as a reading tutor for first grade students who are in serious need for help to learn how to read. She has been doing both these community volunteer functions for 9 years.
- **Robert Haver**: Once each month Bob volunteers by serving food to the homeless at the City of Dallas Homeless Shelter. Although not a member, he has assisted the Duncanville Rotary Club on several of their Community Projects - placing flags out on holidays and packaging donated books to send to third world countries.
- **Lawrence Lefkof**: Larry has been providing food for the needy in the Dallas area since 1986 by obtaining excess food products from various producers, such as Mrs. Bairds, and transporting them at his own expense to the Network of Community Ministries in Richardson, TX. Volunteers from about 50 churches and synagogues go to the Network to collect food for needy families in their communities. Larry also makes deliveries from the Network to organizations (such as Hopes Door for abused women) and needy families.

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COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS, 2nd QUARTER, CALENDAR YEAR 2009

- **Robert (Bob) Askew:** Bob served as President of the Alamo Chapter for the years 2007 and 2008 and currently serves on the Alamo Chapter board as immediate past president. He serves as Vice President of the Timberwood Homeowners' Association, and Chairman, Senior Adult Ministry Advisory Team at Northside Church of Christ in San Antonio. With his church group, he and his wife, Virginia, donate food and supplies and drive to the Fisher Houses at Brooke Army Medical Center at Fort Sam Houston two Saturdays each month to prepare and serve breakfast to wounded soldiers and their families.
- **Virginia Askew:** Virginia is a mentor with "Apples of Gold" at Northside Church of Christ. "Apples of Gold" is an organization of older women mentoring younger women. As Chairman of Fisher House ministry for Northside Church of Christ, Virginia raises donations for paper goods, food and cleaning supplies for Lackland AFB Fisher Houses, which provide living accommodations for wounded warriors and their families. She also works with Lackland AFB Fisher House management to raise funds to satisfy specific needs of the residents. With their church group, Virginia and her husband, Bob, donate food and supplies and drive to the Fisher Houses at Brooke Army Medical Center at Fort Sam Houston two Saturdays each month to prepare and serve breakfast to wounded soldiers and their families.
- **Guilford (Gil) McDonald:** Gil performed over 2,600 hours of volunteer work for the Calhoun County, Florida community during the period November 2007 thru December, 2008.
 - Over 2200 volunteer hours were spent working on construction of a new building for the Magnolia Volunteer Fire Department. The completed building is valued at over a half million dollars. It was built using grants, donations, and volunteers for all the labor involved.
 - He is a founding member of the volunteer fire department that was formed in August 2002. He has been Assistant Chief for 5 1/2 out of 6 years since unit start up. He is also the unit Chaplain. To achieve his positions, he has taken over 350 hours of training classes/courses in the past 6 years and been elected by his fellow firemen of the unit.
 - Over 200 hours were spent responding to various incidents throughout the period. Incidents included house fires, brush fires, farm equipment fires, auto accidents, Responder calls, and manning helicopter landing zones. Other hours were spent on monthly business/training meetings, equipment R&M, annual equipment testing, accounting, and other duties as needed of an Assistant Fire Chief
 - He performed over 160 volunteer hours at the Altha Church of God. He worked 2 hours every Wednesday night in the Youth program Heart Rock Cafe, serving meals and snacks before youth services. He was appointed as Secretary/Treasurer of the church during the

past year, requiring auditing the church's accounting, attending periodic financial meeting/presentations, and attending monthly Elder meetings. He also works on a food distribution program one Saturday each month

➤ **Sandra Wicker:**

- As a member of the AAFES IT Black Affinity Program, Sandra has been instrumental in coordinating with Paul Quinn College (PQC) to implement at AAFES an *e*-mentoring program with the Affinity Program members and the students at PQC. The Affinity team participated in the PQC Freshman Orientation last fall and then again at the PQC Open House, bringing AAFES' Human Resource team in the Career Fair portion of the event.
- As Program Manager of the AAFES Federal Women's Employment Program (FWP), Sandra has led this program's team in developing special informational and educational programs for AAFES associates. In 2007, the FWP hosted the first AAFES Women's Leadership Conference, which offered skill-building and leadership workshops. The conference this year is "How GREEN Can You Go" and includes informational sessions on how we can make a difference in conserving our environment. In addition, the local Mayors from the Best Southwest Partnership are participating in this year's General Session, telling what their cities are doing to make a difference by going green.
- Through AAFES Strategic Planning and Partnerships' Outreach Program, Sandra serves as AAFES "Ambassador" to the Cedar Hill Chamber of Commerce. Her representation of AAFES extends from attending the monthly luncheons and Chamber's Education Council meetings, to helping with special events such as Cedar Hill's National Day of Prayer, last year and this year again.
- In July 2008, Sandra was part of a local mission team that went to Belize to help repair damage caused by Tropical Storm Arthur and to conduct Vacation Bible School for the local children.

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COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS, 2nd QUARTER, CALENDAR YEAR 2009

- **Jeanne Streeter:** Jeanne was the Historian for the Nottingham Neighbors Club during 2007-2008. As such, she was responsible for capturing the pictorial history of all the Club's activities. She developed a record of each activity by using scores of pictures taken of each event, and designing a theme to fit each event. For her efforts and her expenditure of approximately 500 hours, Jeanne was selected as the Nottingham Neighbors Club Woman of the Year for 2007-2008.
- **Keiko Guy:** Keiko gives generously of her time to Mid-County Community Center (her local Senior Center where she is a member) as a volunteer in many areas. She donates her time to MCCC two days a week at our Mealsite on a regular basis. She also volunteers to help at Fundraisers and other activities. When time and items are needed, she is first to volunteer.
- **Gil Betts:** Gil wears several leadership hats in the AARP Tax-Aide program to include: Local Coordinator, District Coordinator, Instructor and District Technology Coordinator. Gil has been involved in Tax-Aide since 1994, the year after he retired. Gil serves as Secretary of the Board of Directors for our local library in Seven Points, TX, and volunteers there often. He is a past President and Treasurer of the Best Friends of the Library. Gil has served for more than five years as Secretary/Treasurer for our Emergency Services District in Trinidad, TX.
- **Ursula Foust:** Ursula purchased yarn and crocheted 60 baby hats for newborns for local churches. She also graded papers, completed art & craft projects at the Gloria Dei Christian School and volunteered at the nursery at the Ivy Memorial Baptist Church.
- **Nancy Evans:** Nancy is a children's footwear buyer in the Sales Directorate (SD), HQ, AAFES. She is a member of the Catholic Women's Organization, which supports several organizations in her area. Their activities include supporting unwed mothers, supporting the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry, as well as visiting the sick and senior citizens. One of the organization's major events is the Jesse Tree, in which they provide gift wrapped presents for over 300 children in need.

Additionally, four times a year Nancy helps with the Knights of Columbus fundraisers. She also volunteers in October with another fundraiser, the St. Jude Church bazaar. She is a Eucharist

minister and Sacristan at St. Jude Church. She also serves on several different Church committees such as the Welcoming Committee, First Communion, Breakfast Committee and Seasonal Environment. Nancy is a member of the Christian Foundation and sponsors a young boy in Bolivia. Nancy is also a member of the Mary Jo Sheppard PTA.

➤ **Joanne Gates:** Joanne is a sales associate in the Wiesbaden Military Community. Untiring efforts on her part promote safety and educate children about shoplifting through Community Awareness and Community Outreach programs.

➤ **Robert F. Haver:** As an AAFES retiree, Bob has stayed active in his community through participation in several fund raising events over the past year. Through his leadership the Desoto Masonic Lodge has been able to raise money from a yard sale, fish fry, chili lunch and a BBQ to support the Lodge's effort to contribute \$500 each to the Desoto Public Library and the Desoto Public Schools. This money has provided needed assistance to the students and teachers for the purchase of books and other education related items. He has also been actively involved in support of The Bridge in Dallas, volunteering his time every month to the service of that organization by serving meals to the not-so-fortunate residents in the Dallas area.

➤ **Tony Hutchinson:** Tony is an AAFES associate who volunteers as coach of two area Basketball teams, even though he has no children of his own:

- ❖ Age 8 Team Name: Titans. These team players are based out of the Plano/McKinney areas (Suburban based) and are part of the Plano Sports Authority Sports League.
- ❖ Ages 14-16 Team Name: Next Step Basketball. These young men are based out of Pleasant Grove (Dallas), East Dallas (Urban based). This organization is part of the National & Select American Amateur Union (AAU).

Tony has coached for 3 years and views coaching as an opportunity to mentor and teach young men the game of basketball, and to prepare them for life's challenges.

➤ **Michael Sean Raich:** Sean is an AAFES Associate. He is a 12 year member currently serving as president of the Northeast Tarrant County Kiwanis Club. He has held the position for six years as the Texas-Oklahoma District Chair on Circle K, acting as the District Administrator to each year's 9-12 member collegiate district board for Circle K International. He also serves as a voting member of the board for the Texas-Oklahoma District Kiwanis Foundation.

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COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS, 3rd QUARTER, CALENDAR YEAR 2009

- **Alicia Cook:** Alicia is an AAFES Associate at Sheppard AFB, TX. She volunteers much of her time with the Meals on Wheels Program. She is very involved in Ministry of Helps through her church and also acts as a translator for the community of Wichita Falls.
- **Constance D. Hicks:** Constance is an AAFES Associate at Sheppard AFB, TX. She has volunteered extensively with Hospice of Wichita Falls to include working with Building Bridges which assists grieving children between the ages of 6-8. (www.hospiceofwf.org). Constance is also active with the Christian Women's Job Corps (CWJC) (www.cwjcwichita.org) which helps women rehabilitate and be a contributing member of society. She has done several speaking engagements at various functions throughout the city of Wichita Falls.
- **Grant R. Fry:** Grant is an AAFES Associate at the Elmendorf Joint Military Mall, AK. He works with the Hmong community youth programs, and has started several scout troops units (club scouts, boy scouts, and ventures). Grant works with boys and girls club as a liaison to the Hmong community. As a volunteer he teaches Hmong Adults English as second language. He also works on their Community Council as an advisor for business development. Grant goes above and beyond in all aspects of his life to better the communities.
- **Shane Crossen:** Shane is an AAFES Associate at the Elmendorf Joint Military Mall, AK. He actively volunteers his time and carpenter skills to help build homes for the Anchorage Habitat for Humanity program when not working and spending time with his family. He is truly valued for the job he does with AAFES and the surrounding community.
- **Willie Mae Wood:** Willie Mae is an AAFES Associate at the Fort Sill Main Exchange, OK. She has volunteered service at the Southwest Oklahoma Juvenile Center in Manitou for nine years. Service includes a variety of social activities, but the primary focus is placed on one-on-one mentoring.
- **Bruce E. Gibson:** Bruce is an AAFES Associate at HQ, AAFES, TX. His community work resulted in revitalized local neighborhoods under the United Methodist Church "Amigos Days" ministry.

- **Deborah Jenkins:** Deborah is an AAFES Associate at Tinker AFB, OK. She has deployed twice, once to Bosnia and again to Iraq. During 2008, Deborah completed a 12 week Master Gardener course through the University of Oklahoma. Completion of the course required an additional 60 hours of volunteer duty manning the phone lines at the County Extension Center answering home gardening questions concerning plants, soil and insects. Even though she has completed the required hours, Deborah continues to volunteer to work on the county extension phone lines. Deborah also volunteered at the Oklahoma State Fair Worm Booth where she answered questions concerning earthworms and their value. As a certified Master Gardener and AAFES associate, Deborah answers customers' many questions about Outdoor Living products and shares her knowledge with AAFES associates.
- **Beverly Saperstein:** Beverly volunteers as a docent conducting tours at the Liberace Museum as well as assisting at all Museum fund raising events. Additionally,
- > She volunteers at Spring Mountain Ranch State Park special events portraying Vera Krupp – one of the Ranch's previous owners.
 - > At special events at the Springs Preserve.
 - > She passes out surplus bread to the homeless and also distributes surplus bread, snacks, and drinks at the Clark County Social Services Office to people waiting hours in line for rent and utilities assistance.
 - > She assists at ice cream socials sponsored by the Southern Nevada Chapter of AREA at the Rescue Mission and the Shade Tree Shelter for Women and Children. In conjunction with the ice cream socials, she also puts on puppet shows for the children at both facilities.
 - > She uses her talent as an entertainer performing as a clown at senior centers.
 - > She volunteers as an AARP Safety Driving Course instructor.

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COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS, TIDEWATER CHAPTER, VA.

- Nancy Van Camp: In addition to volunteering her time, Nancy also pays for the gas to deliver meals for the Meals on Wheels program several times a month.
- Ernestine Gibson: Ernestine helps with day care at Bayley, Hampton.
- Elizabeth Wyman: Elizabeth has delivered meals to the elderly and disabled for several years now, and has continued doing so this past year even though the price of gas has skyrocketed.
- Jane Cutler: Jane assists in programs for feeding the homeless. She's also a City of Hampton Police Academy volunteer, and a City of Hampton court watch volunteer.
- Ursula Foust: Ursula volunteers as a teacher's assistant at the Gloria Dei Lutheran School. She also volunteers at the Ivy Memorial Baptist Church Vacation Bible School and at the Ivy Memorial Nursery. She crocheted an Afghan that was auctioned off for \$140.00 at Ivy Memorial for a youth program.
- Mary Ebron: Mary makes hats for the homeless, makes lap robes for VA hospital personnel and takes people to the doctor.

CURRENT AREA PROGRAM FEATURES

Nominations may be submitted AREA, Chapter and AAFES personnel for:

- Collective recognition of chapter, exchange (or branch/unit) community service accomplishments
- Recognition of Chapter and AREA members and their spouses.
- Recognition of AAFES and assigned military personnel and their spouses.

Community Service Award nominations any time throughout the year. Award recipients are notified shortly after the completion of each quarter, i.e., just after March 31st, June 30th, September 30th and December 31st. Profiles will be featured in the follow-on editions of the AREA Newsletter and Exchange Post. They will also be posted to the AREA web site www.aafes.com/area. The important thing is to recognize people for what they have done, regardless of the time frame.

Print off the [Community Service Award Nomination](#) form on our web site, complete it, and mail to the address on the top of the form.



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COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS

- Peter Heerens, *Hq, AAFES Real Estate Directorate, Dallas, TX*. Offers directions and other assistance to passengers at Dallas/Fort Worth airport as a Goodwill Ambassador. Started volunteering in 1999 and continues to help out in the USO Lounge. For further information on this volunteering opportunity, contact the Airport Ambassador Volunteer Program Office at 972.574.1492, or send an e-mail to kturner@dfwairport.com
- Ken and Pat Weaver, *DWF Chapter*. The Weaver's are both very active in Duncanville's civic affairs, and Pat is also a volunteer AREA board member. Ken is a City Councilman, Treasurer for the Duncanville School Foundation and Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce. Pat is the President of the Police Academy Association, a board member of the Fireman's Alumni Academy, a Medical Corps representative for Duncanville, a Certified Emergency Response Person for all of Duncanville, and the AREA Membership Chairperson.
- Carl R. Ericsson, *Pearland, Texas*. After graduating from the Pearland Police Academy Alumni Association in 2003, Carl has spent in excess of 700 hours in volunteer police work. He patrols handicap parking areas and writes tickets for illegal parking, assists in enforcing city codes, works at all major public activities sponsored by the city and generally assists police officers where required.
- C. Shelton Beck, *Southeaster Chapter*. Shelton works an average of 16 hours per week as a volunteer at two local Catholic churches. He does landscaping, performs various administrative tasks and assists parishioners who are either physically and/or financially unable to perform different types of jobs within and around their homes.
- Harlan Tucker, *Col Ret., Bowie, Maryland*. Harlan has been committed to community affairs for over 40 years. During his tenure as a park volunteer, he was responsible for opening five new parks in the city, and prepared its recreation master plan. His proudest moment was the dedication of the National Wildlife Visitor Center on the Patuxent Research Refuge in October 1994. When asked what he would recommend for others, he said "Don't be afraid to volunteer, don't be reluctant to ask for help and don't be afraid to find your niche." Lastly, he said "As long as I can give back, I will. I intend to keep going as long as I can stay physically and mentally fit."



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THREE AAFES 2006 COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS.

- Carol Chandler, *HQ, AAFES, Dallas, Texas*. Carol is the night Learning Center Manager for the LIFT (Literacy Instruction for Texas) program. She oversees 10 volunteer teachers and 60 students a week for literacy instruction. Carol was recently featured in the February, 2007 issue of the Dallas Weekly newspaper for the difference she is making in the lives of others.
- Thomas C. Steiner, *Fort Drum, New York*. Thomas is the youth baseball manager and football coach in Carthage, New York. He also assists in the youth basketball league. He has received local recognition at year-end ceremonies and a team trophy for his efforts in developing children in sportsmanship and in team sports.
- Sonia Lin, *Presidio of Monterey, California*. Sonia is located at the home of the Defense Language Institute. She's an Army Family Team Building (AFTB) ~ Master Trainer. The Garrison Commander recently awarded her recognition for 250 volunteer hours. She is also the 229th Delta Company Family Readiness Group Leader. She was elected in April for AFTB Master Training through the Army Family, Morale, and Welfare Command.

TEN AREA 2006 COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS & 1 CHAPTER

- Harry & Ellen Marshall, *Hot Springs Village, Arkansas*. Harry & Ellen are both docents for the William Jefferson Clinton Presidential Library. They completed more than 40 hours of specialized training before beginning their service, and have contributed 300+ hours of volunteer work with schools groups (their specialty) and adults as well. Their commute to the library from Hot Springs Village is more than one hundred miles round trip for each day that

they spend there. However, they get to meet and greet people literally from around the world. Twice they have received volunteer awards from former President Clinton at local award ceremonies, and an engraved paving brick in front of the library notes that they are the founding volunteers of the library.

- Alfred and Billie Mitchell, *Augusta, Georgia*. She is active in the Masons' Eastern Star and Daughters of Isis. She is also a past vice-president of AREA's Augusta Chapter and attends all monthly meetings, despite having suffered a stroke. Alfred writes a monthly newsletter for his church is active in Shriners, serves as a counselor at a summer camp for children, and volunteers at a VA hospital.
- Mary Westbrook, *Poquoson, Virginia*. Mary is a member of AREA's Tidewater Chapter. She helps with bingo at the local VA hospital and nursing home each month, bakes cookies for the patients, and provides soft drinks.
- Jane P. Cutler, *Tidewater Chapter, Hampton, Virginia*. Jane assists in programs for feeding the homeless. She's also a City of Hampton Police Academy volunteer, and a City of Hampton court watch volunteer.
- Elizabeth Wyman, *Tidewater Chapter, Hampton, Virginia*. Elizabeth has delivered meals to the elderly and disabled for several years now, and has continued doing so this past year even though the price of gas has skyrocketed.
- Nancy J. Van Camp, *Tidewater Chapter, Hampton, Virginia*. In addition to volunteering her time, Nancy also pays for the gas to deliver meals for the Meals on Wheels program several times a month.
- Ursula Foust, *Tidewater Chapter, Hampton, Virginia*. Ursula volunteers at a teacher's assistant at the Gloria Dei Lutheran School. She also volunteers at the Ivy Memorial Baptist Church Vacation Bible School and at the Ivy Memorial Nursery.
- Beverly Saperstein, *Southern Nevada Chapter, Las Vegas, Nevada*. Beverly helped to organize and host three ice cream socials – two at the Shade Tree Shelter for women and Children, and one at Child Haven. She has worked as a volunteer docent at the Spring Mountain Ranch State Park since 1997. She takes visitors on tours of historic areas, shows the ranch house and tells about its history and previous owners. She also volunteers as a docent at the Red Rock National Conservation, assisting visitors at the Information Center. On Christmas Day, 2006, Beverly helped a homeless couple, with an 8 year old child, obtain a motel room for 3 days and, though her husband, Jerry, a board member of Help of Southern Nevada, was able to assist them in getting temporary housing, employment and school enrollment for the child. Beverly also volunteers at numerous Help of Southern Nevada charity events throughout the year.
- Southern Nevada Chapter, Las Vegas, Nevada. The chapter is commended for its proactive volunteer program. Ice Cream socials are featured at Child Haven and the Shade Tree Shelter for Women and Children. At each event, ice cream is served to 90 to 100 guests, providing a much needed treat to many women and children living in stressful shelter environments. The chapter again supported the Shoes for Children Program, purchasing 13 pairs of shoes and donating them to Catholic Charities for distribution. Chapter members also assisted the Sergeants Association in December at their annual Christmas gift wrapping booth at the Nellis Exchange mall. .

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SIX AAFES 2006 COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS.

- Michael Immler, *HQ, AAFES, Dallas, Texas*. Mike serves as a judge for the Duncanville Teen Court Program. This program allows teens a chance to learn how a courtroom operates. Additionally, it gives teens a chance to get back on track to being a successful member of society. Mike has changed the lives of many teenagers who were headed down the wrong road. Mike is also a Colonel in the Air Force Reserve and a soccer coach for a girl's team.
- Robert Maier, *HQ, AAFES, Dallas, Texas*. Robert is a part of the newly activated Homeland Security Emergency Air Transport System (HSEATS), an extension of Angel Flight America. The South Central pilots were activated on September 2, 2005 to begin relief support for Hurricane Katrina victims, and later provided support for victims of Hurricane Rita. Robert flew over 20 missions during the period, picking up food and medical supplies from Austin, Texas and flying them to Slidell, LA, and other stricken towns. He then brought separated family members and children out of Baton Rouge back to Dallas or Houston to be reunited with their families.
- Cindy Counts, *HQ, AAFES, Dallas, Texas*. After the death of a close friend, Cindy so impressed the personnel of the hospital that she was asked to serve on the Advisory Board of the Community Hospice of Texas, Fort Worth Chapter. Cindy has begun an 8-week intensive training class so she can work directly with the hospice patients.
- Lurlene Gordey, *Tyndall AFB Exchange, Florida*. Throughout the year, Lurlene bakes cookies and sells them at the exchange to raise money to buy Christmas presents for children who might not otherwise receive presents. Lurlene has been doing this at Tyndall AFB since 1998 and is again in full swing for 2006.
- Sheila Kennedy-Martin, *Fort Drum Exchange, New York*. Sheila is a member of a singing trio – The Sounds of Joy. They visit nursing and cerebral palsy homes in the local community and sing Christian songs. The classic hymns touch the patients' hearts and create unity and joy.
- Leon Williams, *Fort Drum Exchange, New York*. Leon has been the Fort Drum Parish Council president for 1½ years. He coordinates all activities for the Post Chapel. Prior to being elected to the council president position, he volunteered in assisting activities at the church.

ELEVEN AREA 2006 COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS & 1 CHAPTER

- Leo Sandefur, *Augusta Chapter, Georgia*. Even though Leo suffered a stroke, he still continues to volunteer his time between various programs at Hillcrest Baptist Church in Augusta. He also volunteers at the Golden Harvest Food Bank, giving out food for the needy.
- Jane Cutler, *Tidewater Chapter, Hampton, Virginia*. Jane assists in programs for feeding the homeless. She's also a City of Hampton Police and Court Watch volunteer, and a bingo volunteer at St. Mary's school.
- Nancy Van Camp, *Tidewater Chapter, Hampton, Virginia*. In addition to volunteering her time, Nancy also pays for the gas to deliver meals for the Meals on Wheels program.
- Ursula Foust, *Tidewater Chapter, Hampton, Virginia*. Ursula volunteers as a teacher's assistant for the 4th grade at Dei Lutheran School, at the Ivy Memorial Baptist church as a nursery worker, and helps with projects for the homeless.
- Elizabeth Wyman, *Tidewater Chapter, Hampton, Virginia*. Elizabeth has delivered meals to the elderly and disabled for several years now, and has continued doing so this past year even though the price of gas has skyrocketed.
- Tidewater Chapter, Hampton, Virginia. The chapter is commended for its proactive volunteer program. In addition to Jane Cutler, Nancy Van Camp, Ursula Foust and Elizabeth Wyman, the chapter is proud of the contributions of all of its members, including Mary Ebron (makes hats for homeless, is a bell ringer for the salvation Army, and a driver for the blind and elderly), Gwen Peace (assists at both the Langley and Ft. Eustis exchanges during the holidays bagging merchandise and performing other customer service functions), and Ernestine Gibson (volunteers in a day care for children).
- Ann Brogan, *Alamo Chapter, San Antonio, Texas*. At the Incarnate Word home for retired nuns and lay persons, Ann visits bedridden patients to cheer them up. She leads group sing-alongs, helps conduct parties and helps transport wheelchair patients. Previously, Ann was a volunteer for 5 years at the Seton Home for unwed mothers, teaching them how to care for their babies, cook and keep house. She also helps the Alamo Chapter host luncheons/dinners, and is on the telephone committee.
- Chuck Poffenbarger, *AREA President, Dallas, Texas*. In addition to performing his duties as the AREA president, Chuck is a founding board member of the Grand Prairie Wellness Center, which provides free and low cost health care to low income families unable to access mainstream health care. He is currently the president and grants coordinator. He's also a board member and vice-chairman of the Finance Committee, Dallas Metrocare Services, the Dallas County Mental Health and Mental Retardation (MHMR) agency.
- Joe Manske, *AREA Member, Duncanville, Texas*. Joe volunteers as a cashier for the Duncanville Outreach Ministry thrift store. The organization also provides food for the poor and financial assistance with utility charges.
- James Howard, *AREA Member, Duncanville, Texas*. Jim volunteers with pricing and stocking merchandise for the Duncanville Outreach Ministry thrift store. The organization also provides food for the poor and financial assistance with utility charges.
- Barbara Long Ciebien, *AREA Member, Arlington, Texas*. Barbara volunteers as a receptionist for the Duncanville Outreach Ministry. The organization runs a thrift store, provides food for the poor and financial assistance with utility charges.
- Pat Weaver, *AREA Membership Director, Duncanville, Texas*. In addition to Pat's duties as AREA Membership Director, she volunteers as a member of the Duncanville Citizens on Patrol Team, is secretary to the Citizen's Police Academy Alumni, and is active in the Chamber of Commerce. She also serves on the Duncanville Teen Court.

Community Service Awards for 2005

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2005 Community Award Recipients

* **Gary A. Neddo, Jr.**, *Fort Drum Main Store, N.Y.* Gary coaches the Black River Little League and AYSO Soccer. He also refurbished four baseball fields for seasonal play, and does pre-game maintenance.

* **Sheila Kennedy-Martin**, *Fort Drum Exchange, N.Y.* Sheila assisted in the Rummage Sale sponsored by Seventh-Day Adventist Church using donated items to raise funds for a local food pantry and its programs. She also works food drives to benefit the Urban mission's food pantry program.

* **Eileen Jex**, *AREA Member, Duncanville, Texas.* Eileen volunteers at the Duncanville Outreach Ministry stocking the food pantry and sacking food for people experiencing a financial hardship.

* **Gerald L. Cloud**, *North Texas Chapter, Mansfield, Texas.* Since moving to Mansfield, Jerry has been associated with the Mansfield Education Foundation, Independent School District, Library, High School, Kiwanis Club, Citizens Police Alumni Association, St. John Lutheran Church and Arbors of Creekwood HOA. He's also participated in the American Cancer Society Relay for Life run, is a board member of the North Texas Chapter — AREA, and was the 1997 AREA Convention Coordinator.

* **Jerry Saperstein**, *Southern Nevada Chapter, Las Vegas, Nev.* Jerry serves on the Board of Trustees and volunteers for Help of Southern Nevada working on the organizing committees for the annual Mardi Gras and Charity Golf Tournament. He also assisted in their Thanksgiving Program where over 1,000 needy families were provided food. He volunteers for the Salvation Army Tree Program (which provides clothing and toys to thousands of needy children), the

Catholic Charities and the Southern Nevada Chapter's "Ice Cream Socials" for women and children.

* **Beverly Saperstein**, *Southern Nevada Chapter, Las Vegas, Nev.* Beverly volunteers at Catholic Charities Social Services distributing clothing and food to the needy. She serves as a docent at the Spring Mountain Ranch State Park taking visitors on tours and assisting at the Information Center. She volunteers at numerous Help of Southern Nevada charity events, including the Southern Nevada Chapter's "Ice Cream Socials" for women and children.

* **Mike Villyard**, *Alamo Chapter, San Antonio, Texas.* Mike was featured in the October Newsletter for his many volunteering efforts, including Alamo Chapter Vice President and Vice Chairman of the San Antonio City Zoning Board of Adjustment. Mike is also President of District 9 Neighborhood Alliance, Council Chairman for the Academy of Learning in Retirement, founding member and a member of the Board of San Antonio Neighbors Together, and member of the Stone Oak Advisory Council.

* **Lee Rux**, *Alamo Chapter, San Antonio, Texas.* As a crew leader for Habitat for Humanity, Lee builds houses across South Texas. In 1995, Lee traveled to Houston where he met President Carter during the "Jimmy Carter Blitz," building 100 houses in one week. Over the past several years, he has assisted in the construction of over 40 homes in the San Antonio area. He has also worked with crews in Cuero, Kerrville, Laredo and Corpus Christi, Texas.

* **Nancy J. Van Camp**, *Tidewater Chapter, Hampton, Va.* In addition to volunteering her time, Nancy also pays for the gas to deliver meals for the Meals on Wheels program for York County, Va.

* **Jane P. Cutler**, *Tidewater Chapter, Hampton, Va.* Jane volunteers as a bingo worker for St. Mary's school, with HELP, a feeding and sleep-over for the homeless, with the Hampton Citizens Police Volunteers and assists in training for Homeland Security personnel.

* **Ursula Foust**, *Tidewater Chapter, Hampton, Va.* Ursula volunteers at the Gloria Day Christian School by assisting with arts & crafts projects, copying teaching material and grading papers; at the Ivy Memorial Baptist church by writing letters to newcomers and providing childcare on Sunday mornings.

* **Tidewater Chapter, Hampton, Va.** The chapter is commended for its proactive volunteer program. In addition to Nancy J. Van Camp, Jane Cutler and Ursula Foust, the chapter is proud of the contributions of all of its members, including Mary Ebron (made hats for homeless, takes senior citizens to doctor appointments and to the grocery store), and Elizabeth Wyman (delivers meals for the Meals On Wheels program).

Community Service Awards for 2004

The AAFES Retired Employees Association (AREA) annually recognizes retirees and, beginning this year, AAFES Associates who volunteer their time and donate other resources, such as personal knowledge and expertise, to help improve the economic, civic and social health of communities where we live and work. The 2004 Review Committee met on May 26th. Chairman Richard Fregoe, AREA members Chuck Poffenbarger and Don Streeter, and the entire AREA membership are pleased to recognize these 27 fine people for their volunteer efforts this year.

Eleven AAFES Retirees

- ▶ Guilford McDonald, *Gulf Coast Chapter*. Served as sponsor for a youth group for an out-of-town Winterfest, helps with repairs at his church, and is the Assistant Fire Chief for the Magnolia Volunteer Fire Department of Calhoun County.
- ▶ Betty Kenyon, *Gulf Coast Chapter*. Serves as Scholarship Chairman, Sons of Italy Lodge, and expanded the program to all six high schools in Okaloosa County this year.
- ▶ Noma Parkhouse, *North Texas Chapter*. Served as President, Cedar Creek Civic League, promoting civic, social, cultural and philanthropic activities in the Cedar Creek Lake area in Texas.
- ▶ Marion Maddock, *Grand Junction, CO*. Repairs and alters garments for three nursing homes. Makes cloth bags to hang on wheelchairs. All materials and time are donated.
- ▶ John Pully, *North Texas Chapter*. Volunteers at Brady Center's Emergency Food Pantry, contributes his time and talents to the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, volunteers at the Dallas Arboretum., and serves as a docent, DeGolyer House.
- ▶ Tidewater Chapter, Jane Cutler, President. Chapter has a pro-active program supporting volunteering efforts.
- ▶ Ursula Foust, *Tidewater Chapter*. Volunteers at Christian school by assisting with arts and crafts projects and grading papers, participates in a program to write welcome letters to newcomers to the Tidewater area, and assists at church on Sundays.
- ▶ Mary Ebron, *Tidewater Chapter*. Member of the "Pass it Along Foundation" which donates kitted hats to veterans, homeless and many charitable agencies, helps with Salvation Army's recycling program and takes elderly people to stores.
- ▶ Marvin Krushen, *Tidewater Chapter*. Visits children in foster care and monitors their progress to make sure that the children do not get lost in the social services system, as has happened in other states.
- ▶ Mary Westbrook, *Tidewater Chapter*. Helps with the school carnival at her grandchildren's school, and volunteers with the American Legion Auxiliary to operate bingo at the VA Medical Center Nursing Home,
- ▶ Jane Cutler, *Tidewater Chapter*. Volunteers as bingo worker at St. Mary's School, and at feeding the homeless.

Sixteen AAFES Associates

- ▶ The Heerens Family, Peter Heerens, *Hq, AAFES Real Estate Directorate, Dallas, TX*. Offers directions and other assistance to passengers at Dallas/Fort Worth airport as a Goodwill Ambassador.
- ▶ Clara Waters, *Wright-Patterson Base Exchange, Area C*. Reads to challenged students in kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades.
- ▶ Diana Rushing, *Wright-Patterson Exchange, Area C*. Works with Boy Scout Troop and Cub Scout Pack, active in her church, and participates in American Legion Memorial Day ceremonies.
- ▶ Maria Rivera, *Hq, AAFES Financial Management & Acctg Directorate, Dallas, TX*. Volunteers in Frontier of Flight Museum gift shop and raises money for Combined Federal Campaign (CFC).
- ▶ Frances Horvath, *Langley AFB BX*. Works with scouts, participates in food drives and is a member of a hospice care team.
- ▶ Jessie Gordon, *Selfridge ANGE Exchange*. Life Guard trainer, and water therapy provider for the Arthritis Foundation
- ▶ Merly Gofigan, *Los Alamitos MCSS (L.A. Consolidated)*. Received Tan Chong Padula Humanitarian Award for the extensive time she devoted to the Padula Scholarship Fund, donates to the children's hospital, and cooks for the homeless.
- ▶ Nabuhiro Gushiken, *Kadena Main Store, Okinawa*. Works with youth sports and coaches for youth basketball
- ▶ Thomas Steiner, *Ft. Drum*. Active in local community, coach of Carthage, N.Y. Little League Youth Baseball, coach of Youth Baseball in Lawton, Ok while stationed at Ft. Sill in 2002/2003.
- ▶ Barbara & Clark Linden, *Vacaville, California*. Barbara work in children's classrooms and takes school pictures; both Barbara and Clark help in youth sports.
- ▶ Joe Gray, *Hq, AAFES Sales Directorate, Dallas, TX*. School Trustee, Duncanville TX School Board, Master of Ceremonies for the Golden Age Games for U.S. military veterans, and President of the Duncanville High School Baseball Booster Assn.
- ▶ Kathryn Donaldson, *Fort Myer PX*. Knits & crochets outfits for teddy bears donated to the Salvation Army for their annual silent action fund raiser, and won the Dolls and Bears Category at the Arlington County Fair.
- ▶ Joni Hagler, *Hq, AAFES Sales Directorate, Dallas, TX*. Installed as President, Meadowbrook Business and Professional Women, and supports ERA Campaign Network and Career Advancement Scholarship Program.
- ▶ Robert Maier, *Hq, AAFES, Information Technology Directorate*. Pilot for Angel Flight, which transports patients at no charge to get medical treatment. See website www.angelflightsc.org for Angel Flight program details.
- ▶ William & Debra Slavik, *Waco, TX*. William is Cubmaster and Deborah is Committee Chairman for Pack 806, and both are members of the Longhorn Council of Boy Scouts of America.
- ▶ Susan Griger, *Hq, AAFES Financial Management & Acctg Directorate, Dallas, TX*. Supports the Colony High School Jr. R.O. T. C. program by volunteering administrative work, and working in fund raisers.

We're people helping people...it's the right thing to do!

AREA Community Service Awards

(Program was suggested by Bunny O'Neill, New England Chapter, in 1978)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Recognition</u>
2003		
Jane Cutler	Tidewater	Certificate & \$50 Gift
✓ Mary Ebron	"	"
Ursula Foust	"	"
Gisela Fregoe	North Texas	"
Ed Hourigan	Northern California	"
Jean Huwyler	So. Nevada	"
Marvin Krushen	Tidewater	"
Therese Morgan	So. Carolina	"
Nacianceno (Chino) Rodela, Jr.	Alamo	"
Beverly Saperstein	So. Nevada	"
Jerry Saperstein	"	"
Jeanne Streeter	North Texas	"

Note: Eight of the 12 \$50 gifts were Lillian Vernon gift certificates for use when purchasing from their catalog. This Friends & Neighbors corporate sponsorship donation was arranged by Cory Belkov, Mohawk Marketing Corp. The remaining 4/\$50 gifts were checks written by AREA but paid for out of our Friends & Neighbors corporate donation program.

The 2003 Selection Committee met on May 5th. Members were Richard Fregoe, Chairman, and AREA members Chuck Poffenbarger and Don Streeter.

2002		
Tidewater Chapter	Tidewater	Plaque
... and members:		
Paul Frederickson	"	Individual Certificate
Jane Cutler	"	"
Ernestine Gibson	"	"
Ursula Foust	"	"
✓ Mary Ebron	"	"
*Marvin Krushen	"	"
So. Nevada Chapter	So. Nevada	Plaque
Jose Diaz	N/A	"
Harlan Tucker	"	"
Norma McNair	North Texas	"
Claze & Sarah Washington	No. Carolina	"
Sarah Greenberg	So. Nevada	"
Imogene Huwyler	"	"
Richard Fregoe	North Texas	"
Larry Grewelle	Metro Montgomery	"

Ken Weaver	North Texas	"
Winston Kavanaugh	"	"
Else Horosko	"	"
Larry Phillips	"	"

The 2002 Selection Committee met on April 6th. Members were Richard Fregoe, Chairman; and AREA members Tom Harmon, Pat Weaver and Larry Phillips.

2001

Bette Hussey	Puget Sound	Plaque
Ginette Cortez	N/A	"
Delores Nelson	"	"
Tony Scanapico	North Texas	"
Ken Penny	"	"
Bob Haver	"	"
Jerry & Beverly Saperstein	S. Nevada	"
Ned Silva	North Texas	"
Ken Weaver	"	Certificate
N.E. Stapleton	Metro Montgomery	"
Rosel Frederickson	Tidewater	"
Jane Cutler	"	"
Marvin Krushen	"	"
Tidewater Chapter	"	Plaque
So. Nevada Chapter	So. Nevada	"
High Country Chapter	High Country	Certificate

The 2001 Selection Committee met on May 7th. Members were Richard Fregoe, Chairman; and AREA members Tom Harmon, Pat Weaver and Larry Phillips.

2000

Jean Huwyler	So. Nevada	Plaque
Lynn Jones	"	"
Gilbert Betts	N/A	"
Tony & Grace Marma	North Texas	"
Fred Hitchcock	N/A	"
<i>Special AREA 25th Anniversary Awards recognizing the best of the Quarter Century Community Service participants.</i>		
*Bob & Lottie Allen	Kansas	Plaque
*Kansas Charter	"	"

The 2000 Selection Committee met on May 3rd. Members were Richard Fregoe, Chairman; and AREA members Don Streeter and Jeanne Streeter.

1999

Norma Woodward	Puget Sound	Plaque
Imogene Huwyler	So. Nevada	"
Beverly Saperstein	"	"
Betty Brown*	High Country	Certificate

Jim Brown*	"	"
*Husband & wife		
Kansas Chapter	Kansas	Plaque
So. Nevada Chapter	So. Nevada	"
High Country Chapter	High Country	Certificate

The 1999 Selection Committee met on April 22nd. Members were Richard Fregoe, Chairman; and AREA members Don Streeter and Otha Atherton.

1998

Bob Allen	Kansas	Plaque
David Talley	Virginia Lovers	"
William Chapman	N/A	"
Fred Hitchcock	N/A	Certificate
Richard Hamilton	Tampa Bay	"
Tidewater Chapter	Tidewater	"
Kansas Chapter	Kansas	"

The 1998 Selection Committee met on April 23rd. Members were Richard Fregoe, Chairman; and AREA members Otha & Pat Atherton and Francis Sullivan.

1997

Bill & Ruth Yingst	North Texas	Plaque
Tomiko Matsuoka	So. Arizona	"
Bob & Lottie Allan	Kansas	"
Sara Tyler	Metro Montgomery	"
Margaret Register	North Texas	Certificate
Marvin Krushen	Tidewater	"
Fred Hitchcock	N/A	"
Jim Brown	High Country	"
Kansas Chapter	Kansas	"
So. Nevada Chapter	So. Nevada	"

The 1997 Selection Committee met on May 7th. Members were Richard Fregoe, Chairman; and AREA members Otha Atherton, Ken Wilson, Jerry cloud and Jerry Keltner.

1996

Dot Bruner	West Georgia	Plaque
Josephine Johnson	Rocky Mountain	Certificate
Imogene Huwylar	So. Nevada	"
Fred Hitchcock	N/A	"
Bob Allen	Kansas	"
North Texas Chapter	North Texas	Plaque
Augusta Chapter	Augusta	"
West Georgia Chapter	West Georgia	Certificate
Kansas Chapter	Kansas	"

The 1996 Selection Committee met on May 2nd. Members were Richard Fregoe, Chairman; and AREA members Otha Atherton, Don Streeter and King Hazle.

1995

Bob Allen	Kansas	Plaque
Sydney Bate	No. Carolina	"
Fred Hitchcock	N/A	"
Georgia Shannahan	Alamo	"
Raymond Holden	High Country	Certificate
Ed Hourigan	"	"
Penny Ishikawa	Aloha	"
Marian Rohrer	Space Coast	"
Tony Scanapico	North Texas	"
Jean Spitzer	Rocky Mountain	"
Virginia Dougan	West Georgia	"
Kansas Chapter	Kansas	"

The 1995 Selection Committee met members were Richard Fregoe, Chairman; and AREA members John Ellis and Ned Silva.

1994

Al & Mary Kulakoff	North Texas	Top Pick Plaque
Sarah Tyler	Metro Montgomery	Runner Up Plaque
Ernest Merlino	Puget Sound	"
Lottie Allen	Kansas	Certificate
Imogene Huwyler	So. Nevada	"
Ruth Stacy	Puget Sound	"
Hazel Gaunt	Rocky Mountain	"
Kansas Chapter	Kansas	Patch for chapter banner
John Ellis	North Texas	Special Community Service plaque

The 1994 Selection Committee members were Richard Fregoe, Chairman; and AREA members John Ellis, Bill burns, Phelps Pond and Ron Wulff.

1993

Anne Schaff	Virginia Lovers	Top Pick Plaque
Jo Steele	Rocky Mountain	Runner Up plaque
Dorothy Nelson	High Country	Certificate
Fay Kramer	San Francisco	"
Robert Morris	Columbia, S.C	"
Mel Cohen	North Texas	"
Augusta Chapter	Augusta	Patch for chapter banner
North Texas Chapter	North Texas	Certificate

The 1993 Selection Committee met on March 29th. Members were Richard Fregoe, Chairman; and AREA members Dave Frame, John Ellis and Ned Silva.

1992

Thomas Bavaria
Robert & Lucille Henry
Earl Bensen

1991

Jeri Matsuoka
Venda Conduff
Mary Lavoie

1990

Juanita Carbonaro
Harlan Tucker

1989

Pete Octjen
Phyllis Wharton
New England Chapter

1988

Tony Marma
James Spitzer
Robert Henry

1987

Waverly Wilson

1986

Larry Lefkov

1985

Josephine Johnson
Augusta Chapter

1984

Jerry McCabe
Charles Simone
New England Chapter
Chapter One

1983

Jim McQuoid
Chapter One

1982

Ruth Barber
New England Chapter

1981

Jerry McCabe
NY/NJ Chapter

1980

Tom & Margo Bond
Chapter One

1979

Fred Behrens
New England Chapter